



**Rising Stars**  
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## **2017 Academic Achievement Team APPLICATION PACKET**

**DUE BY FRIDAY, JANUARY 13, 2017**

### **Please return:**

- ★ **High school transcript** with:
  - ▶ this year's first semester grades or grades in progress
  - ▶ results of SAT or ACT
  - ▶ Advanced Placement Test results, if available
  
- ★ **Three letters of recommendation** from adults of your choosing. Taken as a whole, the letters should address:
  - ▶ the academic rigor of your coursework
  - ▶ how you have applied your learning in a demonstrable way
  - ▶ your leadership skills, community involvement, or personal achievements
  
- ★ **Recent photograph**
  
- ★ **Completed Photo/Video/Website Release Form**
  
- ★ **Student Information Form attached.** Also available as a fillable form online at [www.humboldtrisingstars.org/events/stellar-students](http://www.humboldtrisingstars.org/events/stellar-students)

If you have questions regarding this packet, please contact  
**Erin Heitmeyer, School Support Office Manager**, at  
(707) 445-7171 or [eheimeyer@hcoe.org](mailto:eheimeyer@hcoe.org)

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# == 2017 Academic Achievement Team Information Form ==

Please complete the following information legibly and in blue or black ink and return it with attachments by **5:00 p.m. on Friday, January 13, 2017**, to Rising Stars Foundation, Attn: Erin Heitmeyer, Humboldt County Office of Education, 901 Myrtle Avenue, Eureka, CA 95501-1294.

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Home mailing address** \_\_\_\_\_

**City** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip code** \_\_\_\_\_

**Home phone** \_\_\_\_\_ **Cell phone** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of parent/guardian** \_\_\_\_\_

**High school** \_\_\_\_\_

## **High School Academic History**

Briefly describe your high school academic history, coursework and academic distinctions/honors received while in high school. (150 words or fewer, printed/typed on this form)

## 2017 Academic Achievement Team Information Form, continued

### **Advanced Accomplishments**

Briefly describe any advanced projects, research, or artistic/creative accomplishments of which you are proud. (150 words or fewer, printed/typed on this form)

## 2017 Academic Achievement Team Information Form, continued

### **School or Community Engagement**

Please elaborate on an activity, of greatest interest to you, which has demonstrated your leadership or personal accomplishment in an extracurricular, volunteer, or creative endeavor that has benefited others in your school or community. (150 words or fewer, printed/typed on this form)

### **Personal Essay**

Please write an essay (approximately 500 words) discussing what has influenced your selection of coursework and activities while in high school and how your high school experience has prepared you for the next phase of your life. Attach your essay on a separate sheet(s). Please put your name and name of your high school on each sheet. Please double space and use no less than a 12-point font.

### **SIGNATURE**

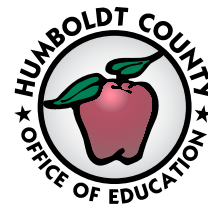
I certify that all information submitted is my own work, factually true and honestly presented.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

All information provided in this application may be used for publicity purposes.





## Media Release Form

*Dear Student/Parent/Guardian or Participant:*

*On occasion, representatives for the media or the Humboldt County Office of Education ("HCOE") wish to photograph, videotape, record, and/or interview students in connection with school programs or events. Educating the public is one of our objectives. The entire community benefits from knowing about the needs and abilities of our students and about the programs we offer to children and families.*

*In order to allow use of photos, video footage, recordings or interviews related to you or your student, for example, on HCOE's website, or by others authorized by HCOE, we need written permission. Please complete the form below to indicate whether or not you wish to give permission.*

### Consent & Release Authorization

In consideration of my interest in furthering the educational purposes of HCOE, I hereby grant permission for HCOE and those acting under its permission to copyright, use, publish, display, produce, duplicate, sell and distribute the photographic, video, and sound recordings of (my child's) (my) likeness, voice and activities for educational purposes in any manner or media event delivery format. I further grant permission to HCOE to use segments or portions of the above production for announcements, informational film clips, or other uses necessary to provide information or advertisement for the production or event.

I hereby release, discharge, and agree to hold harmless HCOE and those acting under its permission from any claim of compensation or liability, to the extent permitted by law, related to the use of (my child's) (my) likeness, voice or activities for preparation, distribution, and use of the production, as described above.

1. Participant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ (please print participant's name)
2.  I \_\_\_\_\_ (please print your name), am the parent /guardian of Student; or  
 I am the Participant, and I am 18 years of age or older.
3.  **I give permission** for Participant to be photographed, videotaped, and/or interviewed by HCOE or anyone authorized by HCOE for the purpose of providing the public with information about HCOE's educational programs and authorize the use and reproduction of any resulting photograph, videotape, and/or interview by HCOE or anyone authorized by HCOE without compensation for the same purpose.  
 **I do not give permission** for Participant to be photographed, videotaped, and/or interviewed by HCOE or anyone authorized by HCOE for the purpose of providing the public with information about HCOE's educational programs and do not authorize the use and reproduction of any resulting photograph, videotape, and/or interview by HCOE or anyone authorized by HCOE for the same purpose.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_