

On-Ramp Program for Young Black Males

College Prep Starts Here

The Thrive Scholars On-Ramp Program is a free pre-college program designed to provide **Black/Generational African American** (defined as the descendants of enslaved people in the United States) males in 10th grade with the skills needed to excel in their college and career preparation.

This 10-month program includes:

- A six-week residential Summer Academy program hosted on a college campus where students will be taught by college professors
- Monthly sessions with a college advisor
- College tours
- Access to professionals of color leading in their career fields
- A chance to learn alongside other ambitious Scholars from across the country

About On-Ramp

On-Ramp seeks to challenge the systems that limit the life and career opportunities of Black males by providing young men academic, social, and emotional resources necessary for success in college and beyond.

Black males are vastly under-represented in the nation's top colleges, advanced jobs, and corporate leadership roles—especially when looking at the representation of Generational African Americans.

Program participants will gain:

- Leadership skills
- College experience
- Exposure to a broader range of college options
- Academic and intellectual growth
- An opportunity to sample and apply to Thrive's Core Program





Program Eligibility

On-Ramp is for students who are eager to learn, want to become more college and career ready, and...

- Identify as Black/Generational African American and Male Defined as the descendants of enslaved people in the United States
- Are in their sophomore year of high school
- Have college ambitions
- Their household income is at or below \$75,000
- Have a GPA of 3.4 or higher (unweighted, out of 4.0)
- Are actively engaged in school community and/or community more generally
- Can commit to Summer Academy, our six-week residential summer program

While we review all applications holistically and do not have a GPA requirement, competitive applicants are high-achievers who typically meet these criteria.

Application Timeline

Our two staged application timeline is outlined below. Students who advance to Round Two will be notified in mid-late January.

November 30, 2022
Priority Application
Deadline

December 15, 2022 General Application Deadline Mid-late January 2023
Round Two Advancement

Mid-February 2023Round Two Submission

Late March 2023

Admission Decisions Released

About Thrive Scholars

Thrive Scholars provides high-achieving students of color from low-income backgrounds with the opportunities they need to thrive at top colleges and in meaningful careers. The On-Ramp Program can be your first step in joining the vibrant community of Thrive Scholars.

Over the last 20 years, we have developed a program that sharpens academic skills, offers personalized college admissions counseling, helps students get into and graduate from the nation's top colleges, and charts a path to a meaningful career.

Our Results

96%

admitted to
Top 100 Colleges

92%

admitted to
Top 50 Colleges

99%
Graduation rate

OUR SCHOLARS ARE ATTENDING SCHOOLS SUCH AS:



Amherst College







OUR SCHOLARS THRIVE IN MEANINGFUL CAREERS AT ORGANIZATIONS SUCH AS:







J.P.Morgan



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This **start now, finish later** application makes it easy to get started!

