



Be Your Best Summer College Prep Academy Nomination Form 2010

- IN ORDER TO APPLY, STUDENTS MUST BE NOMINATED. THE NOMINATOR SHOULD BE A TEACHER, COUNSELOR, SUCCESS COACH OR PROFESSIONAL IN A MENTORING RELATIONSHIP WITH NOMINEE
- NOMINATIONS FROM BE YOUR BEST ALUMNI, STUDENTS, AND FAMILY MEMBERS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED**

I nominate: _____ Nominee's Age: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

Is the Nominee (student) in high school now? ___y ___n Nominee's Current (or last completed) Grade Level: _____

Nominee should meet at least one of these categories. Please check all that apply:

- Student is not academically prepared for college-level reading, writing, math, etc.
- English is not their first language
- Parents did not attend college
- Student's family faces economic barriers (for example, income level would meet eligibility requirements for reduced lunches at public school)

Nominee and Parent/Guardian should be willing to meet the following expectations:

- Commit to attend daytime college classes for 39 days in the summer (June 14 – August 6, 2010) from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. Monday through Thursday
- Avoid vacations and family activities that disrupt more than one class day
- Utilize the study table time provided, but understand there may be additional homework
- Come to class and activities prepared to learn and have fun
- You must attend an advising session in the city where you are taking classes. Parents are welcome!**

SESSION DATES: Austin Program Students - May 4 from 3-5 pm at the Austin East Building, Owatonna Program Students - May 5 from 3-5pm at the Owatonna Campus.

Nomination made by: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

How long have you known the Nominee: _____ Relationship to the Nominee: _____

Nominator's Signature _____

By signing this form, I give permission for Riverland to share information with my high school (if enrolled).

Nominee's Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature (if nominee is under 18 years of age): _____

Return via fax (507/433-0515), email (dani.heiny@riverland.edu), or mail signed and scanned copy of the form by April 5, 2010 to **Director, Be Your BEST Summer Academy, Riverland Community College, 1900 8th Avenue NW, Austin, MN 55912**
Questions? Call Dani Heiny at 507-433-0517 or 800-247-5039.

ESSAY PAGE

This page must be written/typed by the Nominee (student). Additional pages may be attached.

Why should you be chosen for the Be Your Best Summer College Prep Academy?

You will be expected to be in class for 39 days, Monday through Thursday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. In addition, you will have homework assignments in the evenings and weekends. What challenges do you expect to face while managing this commitment? How will you overcome these challenges?

What are your educational goals, and how do you feel the Be Your Best Summer College Prep Academy could help you reach these goals?

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STUDENT CHECKLIST

Students - Use this handy checklist to make sure you don't miss anything!

- Make sure you and your nominator have both signed the nomination form.
- Are you under 18? If so, your parent or guardian must also sign the nomination form.
- Answer the essay questions. You may hand write or type your answers. You can write on the form or on a separate piece of paper.
- Ask your nominator for a letter of recommendation to go with your nomination form. You may include more letters if you have them, but only the one from your nominator is required.
- Please request an official high school transcript to be sent from your high school to Riverland Community College.
- Return your nomination form, essay page, and letter(s) of recommendation to Riverland Community College

ABOUT THE ACCUPLACER

You will be required to take an Accuplacer college placement assessment before Monday, April 5, 2010. This assessment will be offered on the Austin, Albert Lea and Owatonna Campus. You may also take the assessment at another public two-year college in Minnesota and have the scores sent to Riverland Community College, ATTN: Be Your Best.

This placement assessment will help us to determine if you are ready for the classes in the Be Your Best program. We are looking for students who are not yet ready for college coursework, but who have strong enough Math and Reading skills to handle the work in the Be Your Best Program.

Accuplacer testing dates and times are available on the web at www.riverland.edu. Choose "Admissions" and choose "Dates for Testing." Don't forget to bring a picture id (a driver's license or school ID will be fine) with you on testing day. There are Accuplacer study guides on the Riverland website if you want to review before the test.

If you need transportation to the Accuplacer, ACE, or classes, call Deb Vang or Miguel Garate at 800-247-5039.