

# National Hispanic Environmental Council



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## STUDENT APPLICATION FORM

### THE 1<sup>st</sup> ANNUAL NEW YORK CITY MINORITY YOUTH ENVIRONMENTAL TRAINING INSTITUTE

“4 Days of Learning, A Lifetime of Experience”

A Joint Project of the National Park Service, Northeast Region and  
the National Hispanic Environmental Council

September 29–October 2, 2006 • New York, NY

(You must answer all questions for your application to be considered)

### STUDENT INFORMATION

(Please print clearly)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: (students, parents, or someone else, like a teacher, if one is available)

Student's Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Parents or Teacher Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthdate: Month \_\_\_\_\_ Day \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_ How old are you now? (ex. 16, 17, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_\_

### SCHOOL INFORMATION

Name of Your School: \_\_\_\_\_

School Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

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Your Current Grade Level: (ex.: 10<sup>th</sup> grade, 11<sup>th</sup> etc.): \_\_\_\_\_

Current Grade Average Or GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

## OTHER QUESTIONS

(Note: there are no right or wrong answers to the following questions. They are being asked only to help NHEC better plan the coursework for the Institute. You should make an effort to answer every question in this section.

Do you plan to go to college? (check one):     Yes     No

If yes, what is your planned major in college? \_\_\_\_\_

What college(s) do you think you want to attend? \_\_\_\_\_

If you do not plan to go to college in the future, what job will you seek? Is it a job related to the environment?

Please tell us \_\_\_\_\_

Briefly, tell us whatever you know about the following:

1. the National Park Service \_\_\_\_\_

2. U.S. EPA \_\_\_\_\_

3. the U.S. Forest Service \_\_\_\_\_

4. the U.S. Geological Survey \_\_\_\_\_

In the future, would you want to work for any of these federal environmental agencies?

Yes     No

If yes, which one \_\_\_\_\_

If not these federal agencies, do you have another in mind related to the environment?

Yes     No

Which government agency is that? \_\_\_\_\_

If not a government agency, where would you like to work in the future? (A company, an organization? etc). Tell us which one, if you know \_\_\_\_\_

## ENVIRONMENTAL-RELATED INFORMATION

(If you need more space to respond, use extra paper and attach to this Form. Remember: the more you tell us about your background, the better your application will be.)

**List any past or present classes related to the environment** you have taken, in school or elsewhere:(ex. biology, chemistry, botany, envir education courses, Outward Bound, etc) and where and when you took them.

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_

**List any past or present activities related to the environment** (ex. Boy Scouts; Girl Scouts; environmental organization or outdoors club, either in school or elsewhere; 4-H club; local park clean-up; environmental field trips; tree plantings; recycling club; Earth Day activities; etc.). **When did you pursue these activities? Give dates.**

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_

**List any jobs you have held related to the environment,** and give employer name and dates employed.

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_

**List any other organizations you are an active member of** (either in school or outside school) that tells us more about you, and you want NHEC to know about. (ex. community organizations, church groups, volunteer groups, youth groups, sports clubs, minority organizations, etc.)

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_

## REFERENCES

List one adult (other than family members) who can attest to your strong interest in the environment, or to your participation in some environmental activity, past or present. (For example: a teacher, principal, coach, school counselor, club president, employer, etc.)

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
What is their relationship to you? (ex.: my teacher, supervisor, etc) \_\_\_\_\_

**REMEMBER: All applicants must also submit a one page essay. Please attach it to your Application Form. See the “Application Information: How to Apply” document for more details on writing the essay. This essay is an important part of the selection process and will be read carefully by NHEC. Also, there is a post-Institute component—students and parents must agree to be contacted (periodically by NHEC so we can follow-up on students progress.**

**REMEMBER: There is no fee to apply. However, if you are selected, there is a \$15 registration fee for the 4 day Institute, which covers certain costs to NHEC not underwritten by Institute sponsors. If selected, NHEC will provide a scholarship that will pay all your major expenses to attend the Institute including local travel costs, meals, and related educational materials.**

## PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION

- Name of Mother: \_\_\_\_\_ Name of Father: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_ City, State, Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Day/Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Day/Work: \_\_\_\_\_

Evening Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Evening Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

## PERSON TO NOTIFY IN CASE OF EMERGENCY

(If it is the same as above, check here. Same as above  If not, please fill in below.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Day/Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Evening Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

## OTHER INFORMATION TO KNOW

Read all materials and complete all required Forms. You must answer all questions, if your application package is incomplete it cannot be evaluated by NHEC, and will prevent you from being considered. **Be sure to apply as soon as possible. Mail your completed application to the VA address below.**

The Institute is for teens aged 16–18 only, and will be held at several parks run by the National Park Service in the New York City area, including Gateway National Park, Ellis Island National Park, and Fire Island National Seashore on Long Island. There is no fee to apply. If selected, NHEC will provide a scholarship that will cover all major costs of the 4 day Institute. There is a post-Institute follow-up process with students. The Institute is open to all, and applicants from every race, gender, ethnicity, etc. are welcome to apply. See our “Fact Sheet” and “Application Information: How to Apply” for detailed information on the Institute. NHEC reserves the right to make changes to the Institute, including revisions to the curriculum. If selected, students will be notified and provided with further information on the Institute. The Institute is being funded by the National Park Service and NPS is actively participating in the Institute. NHEC will provide Institute sponsorships to qualified students only up to the limits of available funding.

**Signature of Applicant:** \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature of Parent or Guardian:** (is required for all applicants under 18).

(Parents must sign their names clearly) \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

**For more information, call or write NHEC at the address below. Mail completed applications to this address as well.**

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NYC Minority Youth Environmental Training Institute  
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Alexandria, VA 22314

Telephone: 703-683-3956

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Or visit us at our web page: [www.nheec.org](http://www.nheec.org)

**For more information:**

Send an e-mail to Juan Rodriguez, NHEC

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