

# HIGH SCHOOL REPORT

## INSTRUCTIONAL DOCUMENT

### REGENERON SCIENCE TALENT SEARCH

#### INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS

##### **Who should complete the High School Report?**

- Your school counselor or other school official who is able and allowed to provide the information requested (your transcript).

##### **When is the High School Report due?**

- The deadline for your counselor to submit the High School Report is Thursday, November 12, 2020 at 8:00 pm Eastern Time. The recommendation deadline is now the same date and time as the student application deadline. We will be unable to accept materials, including recommendations, after this deadline.

##### **How do I request my High School Report?**

- Talk to or email your recommenders to ask them if they would be willing to complete a recommendation on your behalf. Let them know that they should anticipate an automated email from our online system – the sender name will be “Regeneron Science Talent Search.” Then request your High School Report recommendation through the online application system.
- We recommend that you request your recommendations the day you open your application to allow your recommenders plenty of time.
- It is your responsibility to remind your recommenders to submit their recommendations before the deadline. We cannot accept any portions of the application, including recommendations, after the application deadline.

##### **How many High School Reports should I request?**

- Each applicant must submit one formal High School Report from their current counselor to share their high school transcript. The official high school transcript must come from this High School Report. Applicants who have additional transcripts from college coursework may submit them within the application, but this is not required.

##### **Other things to know about the High School Report?**

- The Society no longer accepts hard copy transcripts; your counselor will need to upload your transcript through the online system.
- Should you have other types of transcripts from a community college or summer course, you will need to request these transcripts and ask your High School Report recommender to upload them on your behalf, or request another High School Report at the bottom of your Task List.
- First quarter grades are not necessary. Please request transcripts early in the process through the High School Report recommendation from your guidance counselor.
- Letters of recommendation from the counselor are not required, unless the student requests an educator recommendation from the counselor.

#### HIGH SCHOOL REPORT PREVIEW

Entrants must request that their school counselor or an administrator complete this form in the online recommendation system. The questions below are asked of your counselor in the online form.

## RULES QUESTIONS

In order to ensure this student entry adheres to Regeneron STS rules, we ask for your support in providing documentation for research projects involving humans and/or vertebrate animals, and in describing the student's level of independence.

1. What is the graduation rate of your school from entering students to graduation?
2. Approximately what percentage of your graduates attend four-year colleges?
3. How has COVID-19 impacted your school's grading systems and course offerings? Anything else we should know?
4. Type of school (select all that apply):  
Choices include: Public, Private, Homeschool, Magnet School, Magnet Program within School, International Baccalaureate, AP Courses Offered, AP Courses Offered in Math/Science, Charter School, Dual Enrollment, Title I
5. Will this student graduate from high school in December 2019 or Spring 2020?
  - a. Yes
  - b. No (If no, please explain here)
6. School Transcript Upload (PDF file only)
  - a. Please upload an electronic version of the student's transcript. The Society no longer accepts hard copies in the mail. If this new rule causes concern or you experience problems with our system, please email [sts@societyforscience.org](mailto:sts@societyforscience.org).
  - b. Receipt of a school transcript prior to the November 12, 2020 deadline is ultimately the responsibility of the student. Please do not delay in submitting this report if you are uncertain about a school transcript.
  - c. There is no letter of recommendation associated with this report. Please do not upload one here. If you would like to submit a letter of recommendation for this student, please ask them to request an Educator Recommendation from you.
7. Is there anything else you would like to share about this student's transcript or the impact of COVID-19 pandemic on your school and/or this student? (200 words max)

*Note about Standardized Test Scores: Student applicants to the Regeneron Science Talent Search are now permitted to upload their own test scores within the application. In prior years, this information was submitted with the High School Report.*

## TROUBLESHOOTING ISSUES

Should your Recommender experience any issues with our online process, please encourage them to email [sts@societyforscience.org](mailto:sts@societyforscience.org). Once you request a recommendation from them through the online system, the Recommender should receive an email with instructions.

Occasionally these messages are caught in junk mail or strict school email filters, or a recommender could receive requests from multiple students under different email addresses, causing confusion. We are happy to investigate any issues.