The Cardinals Interact Program is looking for students to join the Class of 2023. The mission of the program is to help Cardinals Interact students achieve lifelong success. The Cardinals participate in an incredible three year journey by getting ready for college, creating friendships with their peers, and making an impact in their community.

The program offers Cardinals academic support, tutoring, and mentoring activities, along with the opportunity to become part of a positive community. During the first year, students are **required** to attend first year camp, a two-week summer enrichment program and one day of tutoring a week. Throughout their involvement students will visit local businesses, non-profits, and public organizations to learn about different career opportunities. Participants will continue to attend a mandatory camp once a year and contribute to community service projects throughout their time in the program.

Students who successfully complete the entire program are awarded a one-time scholarship of **$1,500** towards a higher education institution.

To **qualify** for the program students need to:
- Be a 9th grader, attending and planning to graduate from Hoover High School
- Maintain good attendance and citizenship at school and in the program
- Have a desire to improve academically,
  
  **You must have at least a 1.0 grade point average (GPA) to qualify for the program. Once in the program, students are expected to reach and maintain a minimum of a 2.5 GPA each quarter.**
- Have a desire to make personal improvements
- Be available to attend scheduled activities
- Be motivated and open-minded

**Application Process**
- Applications are only available to students who plan on attending Hoover High School through graduation
- Students need to submit a completed application, which includes a letter of recommendation
- From the applications, we will select an estimated 100 students to interview for the program on the scheduled date
- 50 students will be selected from the students who are interviewed

If you have any questions call Beatriz Valencia at 619-795-2008 or e-mail **bvalencia@pricephilanthropies.org**

Good Luck,

Beatriz Valencia, Executive Director
COMMITMENT FORM

**Please make sure that you and your parents/guardians review the required Cardinals Interact Program commitments and sign the bottom of this form**

The following are mandatory activities and dates. Students who do not attend will be dropped from the program. Discuss the dates with your parents/guardians before you submit the application. If you are unable to attend any of the listed events let us know immediately.

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<td>Place: 4305 University Ave. Ste. 600</td>
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By applying for the Cardinals Interact Program you are demonstrating an interest and sincere willingness to:

- Attend regularly scheduled programs with an open mind
- Maintain and sustain a minimum of a 2.5 Grade Point Average once accepted into the program
- Attend a minimum of a one-hour academic support session once a week during the school year
- Be respectful of people’s opinions and value the differences of others
- Possess the willingness to learn and embrace the goals and mission of the program
- Make an effort to develop strong leadership skills
- Make an effort to establish a relationship with everyone in your class
- Maintain a smoke, drug, alcohol and violence free program environment
- Respect all staff members of the program
- Reflect a positive image inside and out of the program
- Stay enrolled at Hoover High School until graduation

I have read all of the information about this program and if selected I will make every effort to fully comply with all of the above.

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Applicant (Student) Signature: ___________________________  Applicant’s (student) Name: ___________________________  Date: __________

I have read the above requirements and provide permission to have the above named student participate in the Cardinals Interact Program. I agree to allow the Cardinal Interact Program to have access to my son/daughters academic and attendance records.

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Parent/Guardian Signature: ___________________________  Parent/Guardian Name & Relationship to Student: ___________________________  Date: __________

Please submit the completed application to the Counseling Office; or Cardinals Interact Offices - 4305 University Ave. Suite 600, San Diego, CA 92105
Dear 9th Grade Student,

The Aaron Price Fellows Program is looking for 40 exceptional students for our Class of 2023. The mission of our program is to prepare highly motivated and diverse San Diego public high school students to be responsible, engaged and caring members of their community.

Fellows participate in an incredible three-year journey. The journey begins the summer prior to sophomore year at a week-long away camp where bonding and friendships start to form. Throughout the following year, Fellows visit non-profit and cultural organizations to learn about career opportunities and their role in our community. During the second summer, Fellows take a multi-day trip to continue learning about important issues and build the bonds of friendship. Throughout their junior year of high school, they learn about local and state government and attend programs on important topics such as juvenile justice.

Fellows begin the third year of the program with a June trip to Washington, DC where they meet with elected officials, tour important sites and learn about the federal government. Fellows then continue to attend local programs about national issues and leading industries during their senior year. They also receive support with college admissions.

To qualify for the program, students must:

- Be a 9th grade student at one of the six participating high schools (Hoover, Lincoln, Point Loma, Morse, San Diego & University City)
- Have a minimum 3.0 GPA
- Be available to attend monthly programs, typically scheduled on Saturdays and during school holidays
- Have diverse interests and experiences
- Have a strong desire to learn and grow
- Have a positive outlook on life
- Demonstrate verbal and written communication skills
- Plan to attend college
- Be willing to share their experiences and opinions during discussions and in written reflections

Application Process:

- Applications are available in January online at www.aaronpricefellows.org and at participating high schools
- Students must submit the application packet to their school counselor by March 6, 2020
- A subset of the applicants will move forward to a mandatory interview on April 9, 2020
- Approximately 40 students will be invited to join our Class of 2023 by April 30, 2020

For more information about the Aaron Price Fellows Program, please visit our website at www.aaronpricefellows.org

If you have questions, please contact Lisa Tran at 619-795-2005 or lisa@aaronpricefellows.org

Good luck,

Annie Lyles, MSW
Executive Director
COMMITMENT FORM

Please make sure that you and your parents/guardians review the required Aaron Price Fellows Program commitments and sign the bottom of this form.

The following are very important selection and orientation activities. Discuss your availability to attend them with your parents/guardians before you submit your application. Students will be dropped from the program if they do not attend mandatory events.

Thursday, April 9, 2020  Hoover Interviews - Mandatory (Individual times will be scheduled)  Price Philanthropies Offices
4305 University Ave., Suite 600
San Diego, CA 92105

Saturday, May 16, 2020  Orientation with Parent/Guardian  Hilton San Diego Mission Valley
901 Camino del Rio South
San Diego, CA 92108

August 9-14, 2020  Orientation Camp – Mandatory  Whispering Winds Camp
Julian, CA

By applying for the Aaron Price Fellows Program, you are willing to commit to:

- Attend regularly scheduled programs with an open mind
- Maintain a minimum 3.0 GPA
- Be respectful of opinions and differences of others
- Exhibit care and concern for others
- Make an effort to develop strong leadership skills
- Make an effort to establish a relationship with everyone in your class
- Maintain a drug-free, violence-free lifestyle in and away from the program
- Openly communicate with staff, facilitators, and other Fellows
- Actively participate in program activities (i.e. ask questions, read pre-program material and thoughtfully complete program evaluations)

I have read all of the information about this program and if selected, I will make every effort to fully comply.

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Applicant (Student) Signature  Applicant (Student) Name  Date

I have read the above requirements and provide permission to have the above named student participate in the Aaron Price Fellows Program. I agree to allow the Aaron Price Fellows Program to have access to my son/daughter’s academic and attendance records.

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Parent/Guardian Signature  Parent/Guardian Name & Relationship to Student  Date
AARON PRICE FELLOWS PROGRAM & CARDINALS INTERACT PROGRAM
CLASS OF 2023 APPLICATION
The application is due by March 6, 2020

1) Please use a blue or black pen to complete this application in your own handwriting. Please use only the
provided space to answer the questions. Anything outside the allotted space will not be read.

2) A complete application must include:
   ___ Commitment Form signed by you and a parent/guardian
   (If you are applying for both programs, you must submit both commitment forms.)
   ___ Handwritten answers to questions 1-8 below
   (Answer 8a if you are applying for the Aaron Price Fellows Program, 8b if you are applying for the
   Cardinals Interact Program, or 8a and 8b if you are applying for both programs.)
   ___ Letter of Recommendation from a teacher or school administrator
   (Letter must be from a teacher or administrator from the past two years who knows you well)

3) Please staple all of these items together and submit them as one packet.

First Name ______________________ Middle Name ______________________ Last Name ______________________
Address __________________________________________________________ Zip Code ______________________
(Example: 4305 University Ave. Apt. #600, San Diego, CA)
Home Phone ______________________ Student Cell Phone ______________________
(Example: 619-123-4567) (Example: 619-123-4567)
Student Email ______________________ School I.D. ______________________
Birth date ______________________ Race/Ethnicity ______________________
(Month/ Date/ Year) (Optional)
Shirt Size: Small Medium Large X-Large
(Circle one)

I am interested in applying to: ☐ Aaron Price Fellows Program ☐ Cardinals Interact Program
(Please mark which program you want to apply to. You can choose just one or both.)

1. List the school and/or community activities you are most involved in (sports, clubs or organizations). Tell us
   about your role in these activities.

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2. What makes you different from your friends and classmates?

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3. Think of a leader in your school or community you admire. Who is it? What leadership qualities make them successful?

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4. If you were given the power to make a change at your school or in your community, what would you do?

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5. What current event(s) happening in our community, state or country interest you?

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6. If you could invite someone not related to you to dinner, whether living, deceased, famous or not famous, who would you invite? What would you talk about?

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7. What is the biggest challenge you are facing right now?

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8a. FOR AARON PRICE FELLOWS PROGRAM APPLICANTS: Why do you want to be an Aaron Price Fellow?

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8b. FOR CARDINALS INTERACT PROGRAM APPLICANTS: How do you plan to take advantage of the Cardinals Interact Program activities? (i.e. programs, after school support, community service)

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LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION

Applicant Name______________________________

Recommender Name___________________________ Relationship to Student______________________________

Recommender Telephone #______________________ Recommender Email________________________________

This recommendation is to be filled out by a teacher or school administrator who knows the student well (within the past two years.) The form will become part of our confidential application file used only by the appropriate program staff. It will not be shared with the applicant.

STUDENT RATING

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OVERALL RECOMMENDATION (Please only mark one)

A. I strongly recommend this student ________
B. I recommend this student ________
C. I recommend this student with reservation (Please Explain) ________
D. I do not recommend this student (Please Explain) ________

Briefly write why the program would be a good fit for the student. Please enclose additional sheets if necessary.

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Signature of Recommender ______________________________ Date ______________________________

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Cardinals Interact questions call Beatriz Valencia at 619-795-2008 or email: bvalencia@pricephilanthropies.org

Please send to: Price Philanthropies - 4305 University Ave. Suite 600, San Diego, CA 92105
or submit to student in a sealed envelope.