

4. My College Plan

We are interested in knowing how a GEAR UP scholarship will help you complete your college degree. Please provide an overview of your plans.

(Please print)

What is/are your planned major(s)?	
Are you attending full-time or part-time?	
Based on your program requirements, how long do you think it will take you to complete your postsecondary program?	

5. My Current GPA _____

6. Financial Need

Provide a summary of the following information:

Total Student Awards (excluding loans) \$ _____

Projected Costs of Education

Tuition and fees \$ _____ (1)

Books and Supplies \$ _____ (2)

Living Expenses \$ _____ (3)

Transportation \$ _____ (4)

Total Estimated Cost of Attendance \$ _____ (Add lines 1, 2, 3, and 4)

Subtract your Total Student Awards from your Estimated Cost of Attendance to calculate your projected financial need.

My Projected Financial Need \$ _____

Mail or deliver your completed application, along with the required documentation listed on the following page, in a sealed envelope to:

Chicago GEAR UP Scholarship Program
 Scholarship Selection Committee
 Chicago Teachers' Center
 770 N. Halsted – 4th Floor
 Chicago, IL 60622

DEADLINE FOR DELIVERY: 4:30 PM on June 27, 2008

Chicago GEAR UP Alliance
 GEAR UP Scholarship Program
 Required Attachments

The following documents **must** be attached to complete this application. Use this page as your checklist to make sure everything is included. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Proof of attendance at a GEAR UP school

1. Select one of the following options and attach the document(s) listed for that option.

Option 1
<p>____ If you attended one of the GEAR UP elementary schools listed in Appendix 1, attach one of the following:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">a copy of your 8th grade diploma</p> <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <p style="text-align: center;">a copy of a report card from your 7th or 8th grade year</p> <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CPS certification of elementary school attendance (available from the CPS Office of Former Student Records).</p>

Option 2
<p>____ If you attended one of the 5 GEAR UP high schools listed in the Appendix 1 during 2004-2006 attach one of the following:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">a copy of a report card from 2004-2006</p> <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <p style="text-align: center;">a copy of your student ID from 2004-2006</p> <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <p style="text-align: center;">a copy of your high school diploma</p> <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CPS certification of high school attendance (available from the CPS Office of Former Student Records).</p>

Postsecondary attendance & eligibility:

2. ____ If you are entering college for the first time, attach a copy of your acceptance letter to your postsecondary institution.
3. ____ If you are a current college student or are applying for a renewal scholarship, attach a copy of an official transcript from your postsecondary institution.

Financial need

GEAR UP Scholarships will be granted on the basis of financial need. If you have been awarded loans as part of your financial aid package, these will not be considered in determining your financial need. This improves your chances of receiving a scholarship.

4. ____ Attach a copy of your most recent Student Aid Report (SAR).
5. ____ If you received financial aid from your postsecondary institution, please attach the financial aid award letter from the postsecondary institution showing the amount of financial aid you are receiving.
6. ____ If you received other scholarships or grants (for example, a LULAC or Rotary Club scholarship), please attach a copy of the award letter.