

University of California San Francisco Fresno Latino Center
for Medical Education and Research Program

JUNIOR DOCTORS ACADEMY

A Middle School Health Professions Preparatory Academy

ADMISSION APPLICATION

2010 – 2011

(Applications will be considered on space available basis)

The Junior Doctors Academy is an academic enrichment program for motivated economically and educationally disadvantaged 7th and 8th grade students interested in a career in health or medicine and attending ***Kings Canyon, Sequoia and Terronez Middle Schools***



Key Partners:

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APPLICATION

Eligibility Criteria:

Applicants who are either educationally or economically disadvantaged, and who express an interest in pursuing a professional degree in health or medicine. Participants of the program must be United States citizens, non-citizen nationals, or foreign nationals who possess a visa permitting permanent residence in the United States.

Check list:

A complete application must be typed or legibly printed in blue or black ink, and must include the following items:

- Application with complete Student/Parent Information – Page 2
- Personal Statement (form enclosed) – Page 3
- One Letter of Recommendation (form enclosed, submit in a sealed envelope or mailed or fax to the address below) – Page 4
- A copy of the student's most recent report card

Application must be submitted on or before:

March 30, 2010 (*late applications will be considered on a space available basis*)

Mail application to:

UCSF Fresno Latino Center for Medical Education & Research
550 E. Shaw Avenue, Suite 210, Fresno, CA 93710,
Fax: (559) 241-6585

The information requested is in compliance with the "Health Professions Education Partnerships Act of 1998" P.L. 105-392, reauthorized and amended section 739 of the PHS Act (Educational Assistance in the Health Professions Regarding Individuals from Disadvantaged Backgrounds), generally known as the Health Careers Opportunity Program

STUDENT/PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION (please print)

Entering grade level for next year (2010-11): 7th grade 8th grade (Check one)

Student ID#: _____ Student Name: _____ Male Female

Student's Date of Birth (month/day/year): _____ Student's Social Security #: _____

Print Parent's/Guardian's Name: (Mr./ Ms./ Mrs.) _____

Mailing Address: _____ City: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone # _____ Work Phone #: _____ Email address: _____

Current Elementary School: _____

Middle School attending next year (2010-2011): (check one) Kings Canyon Sequoia Terronez

Which area of the health or medical profession is your child most interested in? _____

Child's Ethnicity (for statistical purposes only):

- African-American Caucasian Latino/Hispanic Native American Indian Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Island
 Asian (please indicate): Cambodian Chinese Hmong Japanese Korean Laotian Philippine Island Thailand Vietnamese
 Other (please indicate) _____

Language spoken at home: _____ A copy of child's most recent report card enclosed: Yes No

Did your child qualify to receive reduced or free lunch during the 2009-2010 school year? Yes No

Highest level of education completed by:

Mother/Guardian

- Did not finish high school
- High school graduate
- Some college
- AA/AS Degree
- BA/BS Degree
- Master's Degree

Father/Guardian

- Did not finish high school
- High School graduate
- Some college
- AA/AS Degree
- BA/BS Degree
- Master's Degree

Student Agreement:

If I am selected into the Junior Doctors Academy (JDA), I agree to:

- Maintain a minimum of 2.8 Grade Point Average (GPA)
- Attend classes regularly and complete assignments satisfactorily
- Attend tutorial sessions, if my grades are at a C+ or less
- Get involved in other activities to help me be successful student
- Participate in JDA activities such as, community services, weekend workshops, after school tutorials, study trips, and summer enrichment program opportunities

Parent/Guardian Agreement:

I will support my child's participation in all aspects of the Junior Doctors Academy (JDA) program and will be actively involved in his/her education and career planning. Furthermore, I will support my child by attending JDA parent meetings and events;

I have read and understand my commitment as indicated above for the Junior Doctors Academy program requirements if selected into the program.

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____



JDA PERSONAL STATEMENT

Please provide a short essay (1 page) about your academic background and interests. Please include the following five topics in your essay:
(Please type or print legibly in ink the space below or on a separate sheet of paper)

1. What are your academic strengths?
2. What are your future goals?
3. What is your interest in medicine or other health profession?
4. Why you would like to participate in the Junior Doctors Academy?
5. What makes you a good candidate for this program?

Student Name: _____

Student ID #: _____

Applicants will be required to submit one (1) letter of recommendation from his/her current math, science, and/or English teacher. A second letter of recommendation is optional and may be submitted from a principal, vice principal, school counselor or community organization member.



JDA LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION

To Evaluator: The letter of recommendation is a valued part of the admission process. Please provide your evaluation of the candidate's abilities below per each category. To the applicant and evaluator: It is understood that this letter of recommendation will be used as one factor in considering admission to the Junior Doctors Academy. In accordance with the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1977, and the related policies and regulations, it is also understood that upon request, this letter will be made available to the applicant for examination.

Applicant's Name: _____
(Please Print)

Please evaluate the applicant with respect to each category below	Excellent	Good	Average	Below Average
Communication skills				
Motivation and effort				
Study habits				
Ability to interact with others				
Academic ability				
Imagination and creativity				
Organization skills				

_____ I do recommend this student.

_____ I do not recommend this student.

Evaluator's Name: _____
(Please Print)

Title/Position: _____ Phone Number: _____

How long have you known the applicant? _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

This letter of recommendation must to be completed *and submitted with application*. The letter of recommendation can be forwarded to the student in a sealed envelope; or mailed/ faxed to:
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JUNIOR DOCTORS ACADEMY (JDA) GENERAL INFORMATION

What is JDA (JDA)?

JDA is a special academic enrichment program for qualified and motivated seventh and eighth grade students at Kings Canyon, Sequoia and Terronez Middle Schools. It is NOT a club. JDA is offered to students as a course within the daily class schedule for the duration of the academic year at most of the three of our middle school sites.

Selection of JDA students is based on:

- ❑ Grade point average of 2.8 or better (copy of the most recent report card)
- ❑ Personal Statement written by the student
- ❑ Letter of recommendation

Mission Statement:

To nurture the development of future doctors and health professionals through a supportive and academically rigorous educational program for middle school students from disadvantaged and underrepresented backgrounds.

Program goals are to:

- ❑ Prepare students for a rigorous high school academic experience that will lead to meeting entrance requirements to a four-year college and university.
- ❑ Expose middle school students to colleges and universities and increase their understanding of becoming a competitive applicant for higher education.
- ❑ Increase student knowledge of scientific and health related topics relevant to a future career in a health profession.
- ❑ Develop skills that will enhance students' academic, social and leadership abilities.

Expectations of JDA students:

- ❑ Enroll in the JDA class with an emphasis on science, math, language arts and/or AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination).
- ❑ Commit to the program for the entire year.
- ❑ Maintain a 2.8 grade point average (GPA).
- ❑ Attend 75% of the extracurricular JDA activities offered.
- ❑ Participate in after school enrichment activities, study trips, workshops, service events, summer program, CollegeEd, and activities that enhance student achievement.
- ❑ Attend tutorial sessions and seek academic support from JDA teachers and tutors.

Expectations of JDA parents:

- ❑ Support student achievement and involvement in events and activities.
- ❑ Be involved in student's education and career planning.
- ❑ Participate in events and activities for parents.

Junior Doctors Academy School Site Administrators

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To learn more about the program or obtain an application, please log on to <http://www.fresno.ucsf.edu/latinocenter>
Implementation of this program for 2010-2011 is based on the availability of funding.

Retain this copy for your records