



2026 West Virginia Governor's School for Tourism (GST) Student Application - Part I

Thank you for your interest in the West Virginia Governor's School for Tourism (GST). Please review the qualifications listed below before completing this part of the application.

This form is the first step in applying for GST.

Required Qualifications:

1. Attend high school in West Virginia and plan to be in attendance next year
2. A resident of West Virginia
- 3. A freshman or sophomore at the time of application**
4. Have a grade-point average of at least 3.0
5. Have a recommendation from the school principal (with Part II of the application)
6. Have two teacher recommendations
7. Must satisfy all immunization requirements set forth by the West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources (DHHR). Nonpublic school and homeschool students must provide proof of immunizations

Students may only attend GST once. If you attended in 2025, you may not apply for 2026.

Once you have completed this part of the application, you may begin Part II by accessing the file at the GST website.

The state deadline for applications from the county superintendent is **Friday, May 1, 2025**. The school and county will have established deadlines to provide time for review of applications before making selections and sending their recommendations to the WVDE. Please check with the school counselor or principal to determine the deadline to submit Part II.

* Required

1. First Name *

2. Middle Name *

3. Last name *

4. Preferred First Name *

5. Birthdate *

6. *

- ☐ Male
- ☐ Female

7. Are there lodging accommodations the college/university should consider? Please explain. (If there are additional dorm considerations, parents/guardians may contact Dustin Lambert, Governor's Schools Coordinator for further discussion at (304) 558-5325 or dlambert@k12.wv.us.)

8. Race/Ethnicity (The Governor's Schools of West Virginia have an equal opportunity policy and do not discriminate on the basis of race, color, natural origin, religion, sex or disability) *

- ☐ American Indian or Alaskan Native
- ☐ Asian or Pacific Islander
- ☐ Black, non-Hispanic
- ☐ Hispanic
- ☐ White, Caucasian - non-Hispanic

9. T-Shirt Size *

- ☐ S
- ☐ M
- ☐ L
- ☐ XL
- ☐ XXL

10. Mailing Address *

11. Apartment Unit

12. City *

13. State *

14. Zip Code *

15. County *

16. Preferred Phone Number *

17. Cell Number *

18. Student's Email Address (School K12) *

19. Student's Preferred/Secondary Email Address *

20. School *

21. School Designation *

- ☐ Public School
- ☐ Public Charter School
- ☐ Nonpublic School
- ☐ Homeschool

22. Principal's First and Last Name *

23. Principal's Email *

24. School Counselor's First and Last Name *

25. School Counselor's Email *

26. School Phone Number *

27. Current Grade *

- ☐ Freshman
- ☐ Sophomore

28. Current Cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) *

29. Parent/Guardian 1 First and Last Name *

30. Parent/Guardian 1 Preferred Phone Number *

31. Parent/Guardian 1 Email Address *

32. Parent/Guardian 2 First and Last Name

33. Parent/Guardian 2 Preferred Phone Number

34. Parent/Guardian 2 Email Address

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