



# THE GOVERNOR'S SCHOOL for SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY



## Prospective Student Pipeline Newsletter #3, 2022-23 *January 11, 2022*

The Prospective Student Pipeline is a virtual community for families who want to learn more about The Governor's School for Science and Technology (GSST). By subscribing to this newsletter, you'll get information about what's happening at GSST plus notifications of upcoming events for prospective students.

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### Director's Notes: Ms. Vikki Wismer

#### **Nuts and Bolts of Applying to GSST**

Applying to Governor's School is easy - you just complete a straightforward online application and your school counselor and teachers do the rest.

Before beginning your application, watch this [video](#) for an overview of the steps required. In brief, there are three components of the application:

1. **Student application:** After watching the above tutorial, click the Apply Now button just below the video to access the online application form that asks for background information, as well as the name and contact information for your school counselor.
2. **Teacher Recommendations:** A separate part of the application asks you to provide the names and email addresses of your current math and science teachers, who will then receive an email request to complete a recommendation for you. It would be a good idea to speak to your teachers before listing them as recommenders to be courteous, and also to make sure they will be looking out for the online invitation. By returning to your application at a later date, you will be able to see when your teachers have submitted their recommendations. This should be done by March 8th.
3. **School counselor component:** Your school counselor will upload your transcript and provide additional information about your courses, grades and test scores. If you have taken an official SAT or ACT that you would like to have included in your application, be sure to let your counselor know.



### Plan to Attend Virtual Information Sessions:

I will be hosting a virtual information session for each school division to provide some more information about the program and application process and to answer questions from parents and students. The first one will be for families of York County students at 6:30 on January 18th. [Click here](#) for a flyer that lists dates and times of the sessions for all districts, as well as a Zoom link that will work for all of them.

### Notification of Admission Decisions: Around the second week in April

I am always deeply impressed by the strength of applicants to Governor's School, and in the last couple of years I've also been inspired by their resilience through the trying times of the pandemic. Your child's application will be carefully reviewed and you will receive a letter by mid-April notifying you of our admissions decision. Whether or not your child is admitted, please rest assured that we sincerely honor his/her academic accomplishments and initiative in applying to GSST.

## College Planning Corner with Dr. Ellen Fithian



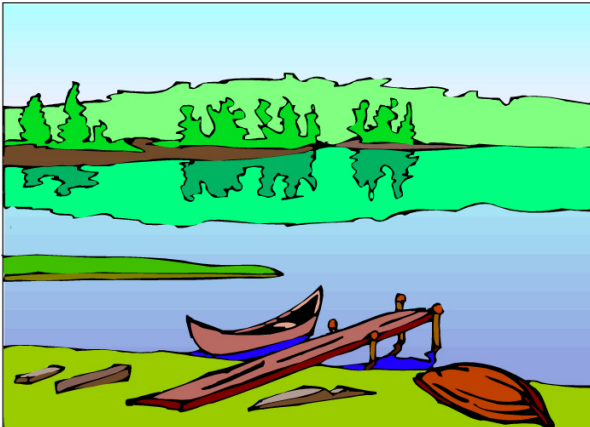
### Is Governor's School Right For Your Child?

Residents of our participating school divisions are fortunate to have many options for advanced course work, ranging from AP, IB, and dual enrollment courses at the home high schools to a variety of district-level magnet programs, so why choose Governor's School?

To answer this question, we've developed a range of online resources, which I've listed in the order that I suggest you view them. Start with the one page summary of GSST highlights and go from there.



- [Top Five Reasons to Attend Governor's School](#)
- Six minute [video](#) about GSST, with comments from current students
- [3D Tour of the School](#): go inside each of the classrooms
- [School profile](#): the document that tells colleges about GSST



## Time to Plan for Summer!

Many summer programs have early deadlines, or advise applicants to sign up early to secure a place. The upcoming issue of *College Planning Minutes*, Dr. Fithian's newsletter, will discuss summer programs. Click below to subscribe.

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## Tell a Friend About the PSP! Everyone is Welcome!

If you know someone who might be interested in learning about The Governor's School, or who would benefit from any of the more general information provided here, please encourage him/her to subscribe by signing up on the [Prospective Student Pipeline](#) tab of our website.

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