

## ILLINOIS MATHEMATICS AND SCIENCE ACADEMY<sup>®</sup>

*IMSA PROMISE (Providing Opportunities for Mathematics and Science Enrichment) serves underrepresented and economically disadvantaged students who have talent and interest in mathematics and science. The IMSA PROMISE programs provide enriching academic experiences that create academic growth and simulate, to some extent, the experience of an enrolled IMSA student.*

**Please check the program that you are applying for (only check one):**

- ☐ **IMSA PROMISE - Leading Students 2 Success (LS2S)** is a collaborative learning program for current 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders, designed to expose students to STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) related experiences as well as introduce them to inquiry and problem-based learning. Through a process of discussion and analytical exploration of mathematical and scientific concepts, LS2S will assist students in developing their academic and interpersonal skills. **This program occurs on 8 Saturdays from 8:00am – 1:30pm during the months of October through January.**
- ☐ **IMSA PROMISE - Early Involvement Program (EIP)** serves students enrolled in 9<sup>th</sup> grade. The program includes discovery-based and collaborative research activities as well as some preparation for the Scholastic Assessment Test (SAT). Students develop critical thinking, decision-making and leadership skills while studying mathematics and science. **This program occurs on 10 Saturdays from 8:00am – 1:30pm during the months of October through January.**

**Applications & supplemental documents must be submitted to the Admissions office no later than Tuesday, September 29<sup>th</sup>, 2015.**

IMSA PROMISE Application Check List:

- ☐ Application (including essay responses)
- ☐ One Mathematics or Science teacher evaluation form (current or previous year teacher)
- ☐ School Principal/Counselor form (current school)
- ☐ Official grade reports (past two years)
- ☐ **Completed applications can be submitted via mail, fax, or email (preferred method):**

Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy  
Office of Admissions - PROMISE  
1500 Sullivan Road  
Aurora, IL 60506  
E-Mail: [applications@imsa.edu](mailto:applications@imsa.edu)  
Fax: 630-907-5887

**IMSA PROMISE APPLICATION**



### BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

Student Legal Last Name Legal First MI

Home Street Address Apt #

Home City State Zip County in Illinois

Student Email Home Phone (xxx-xxx-xxxx)

Gender: ☐ Male ☐ Female

Birthday: Month (MM) Day (DD) Year (YYYY)

What is your current grade in school?

Is English your first language? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If not, what other language(s) is spoken in your home?

If English is not, your only language, how long have you spoken English? Years Months

Do you currently qualify for Federal & State Subsidized Free (Tier 1) & Reduced (Tier 2) Meal Program?

☐ Yes ☐ No

### BACKGROUND INFORMATION

☐ Yes ☐ No *Hispanic, Latino/a* - Are you a person of Cuban, Mexican, Puerto Rican, South or Central American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race?

Select one or more races from the following five racial groups:

<input type="checkbox"/> <i>American Indian or Alaskan Native</i>	A person having origins in any of the original peoples of North and South America (including Central America), and who maintains a tribal affiliation or community attachment.
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Asian</i>	A person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, or the Indian subcontinent including for example, Cambodia, China, India, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Pakistan, the Philippine Islands, Thailand, and Vietnam.
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Black or African American</i>	A person having origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa.
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander</i>	A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa, or other Pacific Islands.
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>White</i>	A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, Middle East, or North Africa.

### ***CURRENT SCHOOL INFORMATION***

Official Name of School (*No Abbreviations*)

School District

Street Address

City

State

Zip

School Phone Number (xxx-xxx-xxxx)

### ***FAMILY INFORMATION***

Write the **full name** of parent/legal guardian with whom you live:

**Parent 1:**

Last Name

First

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Parent/Legal Guardian Phone#

Parent/Legal Guardian Cell #

Parent/Legal Guardian Email

**Parent 2:**

Last Name

First

MI

Parent/Legal Guardian Phone#

Parent/Legal Guardian Cell #

Parent/Legal Guardian Email

### ***ACTIVITIES, INVOLVEMENT AND ACHIEVEMENTS***

1) Please describe your interest in mathematics and science (attach additional pages if necessary).

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- 2) Please choose three words to describe yourself and provide an explanation for each word chosen (attach additional pages if necessary).

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- 3) List any special academic programs, clubs, and competitions you have participated in during the past three years. List all mathematical and science affiliations first. *Please spell out all names - do not abbreviate.*

<i>Club/Organization/Competition</i>	<i>Years of Involvement</i>	<i>Leadership Position (if applicable)</i>
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- 4) TO BE COMPLETED BY PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN: Please explain how the PROMISE program can enhance your child's education.

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Our signatures below certify that we understand that withholding pertinent information requested on this application or giving false information will make the student ineligible for admission to the Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy PROMISE Program subject to cancellation of registration if admission has occurred. Furthermore, we understand information contained within the applicant file will be shared with the Admissions Office and by submitting an application to the IMSA PROMISE Program, we consent to disclose this information to this office, waiving our rights to review notes, reports, and recommendations of the Admissions Office.

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Thank You for applying to the IMSA PROMISE Program!**

**Please note that decisions will be made in early October. Admission decisions will be sent via email to both the parent and student.**

*Please submit all application materials to:  
IMSA PROMISE – 1500 Sullivan Road – Aurora, IL 60506  
applications@imsa.edu – 630.907.5028 (phone) - 630.907.5887 (fax)*