



CHARLOTTESVILLE BUSINESS INNOVATION COUNCIL TECH TOUR SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Overview

The **Tech Tour** is a local event sponsored by the **Charlottesville Business Innovation Council**, to introduce area high school students to the dynamic high technology world that exists in the Charlottesville/Albemarle County metro region. This daylong technology tour is aimed at exposing students to the challenging and diverse career possibilities offered by our regional technology community and at helping them envision themselves as technology entrepreneurs in the next wave of high tech advancements.

School groups of up to 15 students are assigned to a unique and exciting tour schedule. They will spend the day traveling to selected companies for a hands-on visit to meet employees and experience the use of technology in unique and specialized operations.

This year, through the generosity of our sponsors **TWO \$2,500 scholarships** will be awarded to a junior or senior selected through this application process who plan to pursue education beyond high school in Science, Technology, Engineering or Math (STEM). Scholarship awards will be paid directly to the educational institution for tuition costs upon student acceptance. In addition to a completed application, applicants must have attended one of the past tech tours. **The deadline for the application is January 31, 2018.** Please send **a single completed electronic packet in .pdf format** (including application, essays and transcript) to techtour@cvillebic.org.

Application Checklist

- ___ Completed Application:
 - ___ (Section I Student Data)
 - ___ (Section II TWO Essays)

- ___ Copy of School Transcript

SECTION 1

Personal Information

Full Name _____

Home Address _____

Phone Number _____

Date of Birth _____ SS# _____

Email address _____

Academic Information

What Tech Tour did you attend (what year)? _____

Are you a ___ Junior or ___ Senior? (check one)

Your High School _____

GPA Unweighted _____ GPA Weighted _____ (please provide both)

REMINDER: please enclose a copy of your school transcript

What schools or colleges do you hope to attend or have applied to? _____

Expected field of study _____

What extracurricular activities have you participated in that are related to your interests?

What classes have you taken that are related to your interests? _____

Parent Information

Parent or Guardian Name _____

Address _____

Phone Number _____

SECTION II

Please prepare **TWO** essays, one for each of the following questions (max 500-word each).

Must Answer

1. Exposure to technology-related careers was one of the goals for Tech Tour. What career(s) piqued your interest? Why? How would you pursue the career(s)?
2. What do you see yourself doing 10 years after high school and how does technology relate to that future goal? Will you be part of Charlottesville's technology workforce?

Extra Credit (250-word max)

3. Imagine you must describe the Tech Tour to a visiting exchange student from another country. How would you relate your experience? What would you say to get them excited about attending?