

**Martin W. Essex School for the Gifted and Talented™
at Otterbein University**

June 15-21, 2014

Registration Materials

Registration Deadline – January 16, 2014



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GENERAL INFORMATION

1. The purpose of the Essex School is to provide enrichment experiences for rising eleventh and twelfth grade students who are academically gifted and/or talented.
2. The School will operate June 15 – June 21, 2014 on the campus of Otterbein University. All meals will be provided in dining halls or will be catered by local restaurants.
3. Those registered will participate in a **WEEK-LONG RESIDENTIAL** summer enrichment experience that includes activities such as seminars, workshops and extended projects focusing on a variety of subjects, such as science, sustainability, the arts, and literature.
4. The School will explore academic and/or artistic pursuits at a level not always possible in the typical high school classroom. The topics addressed by the seminars and workshops will reflect the interests of the students, and will have an eye especially on salient contemporary issues.
5. Neither grades nor credits will be given; however, students will receive a certificate of participation at the conclusion of the School.
6. Students will have the chance to enroll in a one-credit hour course at Otterbein University during the autumn semester. In this course, students will deepen their engagement with the issues at the heart of a book that all students in the School will read and discuss—**Naomi Benaron's *Running the Rift***. All students will be sent a copy of this book after registering for the School.
7. The cost of the Essex School for 2014 is \$650.00. This cost can be assumed by family, district, and/or community of applicant. Financial assistance may be available for those who qualify. See registration for more information. A \$100 non-refundable deposit is due at the time of registration. Payment #2, totaling \$275, is due no later than March 16th and the final payment of \$275 is due May 16, 2014.
8. Because time at the Essex School is limited, students will not be granted leaves of absence from the School; attendance at all of the School activities is mandatory.
9. All students must adhere to the rules and regulations as prescribed and communicated to them. Any violation of these rules may result in the student's immediate dismissal from the School.
10. Students who complete the School will earn a \$1000 scholarship to Otterbein University and will become eligible to compete for a full scholarship.

All completed registration packets should be forwarded to one of these Coordinators:

SUZANNE PALMER
GIFTED SERVICES COORDINATOR
WORTHINGTON CITY SCHOOLS
200 E. WILSON BRIDGE RD, STE 200
WORTHINGTON, OH 43085
(614) 450-6055

OR PATRICIA FARRENKOPF
COORDINATOR OF GIFTED EDUCATION
NEW ALBANY-PLAIN LOCAL SCHOOLS
79 NORTH HIGH STREET
NEW ALBANY, OHIO 43054
(614) 413-7905

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STUDENT INFORMATION FORM

Student Name:	
Home Address:	
Phone (include area code):	
Email address:	

Gender (check box): Female Male

Ethnic Background (check box):

- Hispanics of any race**
- American Indian or Alaska Native**
- Asian**
- Black or African American**
- Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander**
- White**
- Two or more races**

High School of Attendance:	
School District:	
Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Name(s):	

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STUDENT ELIGIBILITY FORM

Instructions to Students

This form must be completed and signed by a gifted education coordinator, gifted education teacher, guidance counselor, principal, or psychologist. Submit the completed and signed form with your registration packet.

Instructions to Educators:

To be eligible to participate in the Martin W. Essex School for the Gifted and Talented™ at Otterbein University, students must be identified as gifted in one or more areas.

Student's Name:		Student's Current Grade	
School District	School Building		County
Area of Gifted Identification: <input type="checkbox"/> Superior Cognitive <input type="checkbox"/> Creative Thinking <input type="checkbox"/> Visual/Performing Arts		Specific Academic Ability <input type="checkbox"/> Mathematics <input type="checkbox"/> Science <input type="checkbox"/> Reading, writing, or a Combination <input type="checkbox"/> Social Studies	
"I certify that the student named above meets the criteria for gifted identification."			
School Official's Name (Print): _____			
Limited financial assistance is available for those who qualify for the Free or Reduced Price School Meal Program. If applicant has given permission on the Student Information Form for release of this information by the school official, please read statement below: "I certify the student named above does qualify for the Free or Reduced Price School Meals Program." This student qualifies for: <input type="checkbox"/> Free <input type="checkbox"/> Reduced Price			
School Official's Signature: _____			
School Official's Telephone: _____			
School Official's Position: _____			

~Please include this form in student's registration packet~

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PARENT/GUARDIAN PERMISSION FORM

To be completed by parent/guardian of student applicant:

I, the parent/guardian of _____, grant permission for him/her to participate in the Martin W. Essex School for the Gifted and Talented™ at Otterbein University. If my son/daughter is registered, I understand my obligation to notify the School's coordinators immediately should he/she not be able to attend.

I acknowledge that the following conditions will apply:

- The School will be held on the campus of Otterbein University in Westerville, OH.*
- All participants will abide by the rules and regulations set forth by the School; in particular, absence from scheduled activities or departure from the campus at any time is prohibited, except in the case of an emergency.*
- Infraction of the rules and regulations set forth by the Essex School will be cause for immediate dismissal from the Program.*

I understand that **this form must be completed, signed, and returned to the School coordinators as part of the student's registration packet**; also, I recognize that submission of a fragmentary registration packet will preclude a student from being registered for the Essex School. In signing below, I verify my understanding of the above-explained conditions.

Name of Parent/Guardian A: (please print)	Date (xx/xx/xxxx):
Signature of Parent/Guardian A:	

Name of Parent/Guardian B (OPTIONAL): (please print)	Date (xx/xx/xxxx):
Signature of Parent/Guardian B:	

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Attention Parents and Guardians:

Limited financial assistance is available to those who qualify for Free and Reduced Price School Meals. If your child qualifies for the Free and Reduced Price School Meal program at his/her school, he/she may receive a full or partial scholarship if selected as a 2014 Essex Scholar. This information will need to be verified by the school official. In order for the school official to verify qualification for Free and Reduced Price School Meals, your permission is required. Please read statement below and sign and date.

“My child qualifies for the Free or Reduced Price School Meal program at his/her school and I give my permission for the school official to verify the status of Free or Reduced Price School with the Martin W. Essex School for the Gifted and Talented at Otterbein University program coordinators. I understand this information will only be used for purposes related to financial assistance for the Martin W. Essex School for the Gifted and Talented at Otterbein University.

Parent or Guardian Signature

Date