

Dear Counselor/Educator/Mentor,

The University of Pennsylvania is pleased to inform you that a student who knows you is interested in applying to our fall fly-in programs, Penn in Focus (PIF*) and/or the Penn Early Exploration Program (PEEP**). In order to evaluate the student's application within the context of their high school, we encourage students to submit a high school profile, where available. Please review this document for instructions on how to submit a high school profile on the student's behalf.

What is a high school Profile?

A high school profile can include any of the following:

- General information on the school (background, goals, contact information, location, student body makeup, etc.)
- Course offerings (IB/AP/Honors/DE programs, courses, graduation requirements, etc.)
- Testing or grading information (State/SAT/ACT testing averages, high school grading scales, etc.)

Is this document required for a students application to be complete?

No, a high school profile only helps to provide more context to evaluate a student's transcript. We will evaluate all students regardless if a high school profile or equivalent information is submitted or not. You may also choose to submit a high school website page or a course list if no profile is available.

How do I submit the high school profile?

To submit a profile, please complete the high school form you received via emailed link. You may submit a link to your high school's profile or website, or a link to you high school's course list. In this case there will be a text box for you to copy and paste this information. If you are choosing to upload a PDF or Word document, save the document as "HSName.StudentLastName" and use the form to upload. If for any reason the form link does not work, email the file as an attachment to [peep@admissions.upenn.edu] with the subject header "PIF/PEEP HS PROFILE."

Please submit a high school profile or equivalent, if available, no later than Monday, August 17th at 3:00 PM (EDT). Student applications are due by Sunday, August 16 at 11:59PM (EDT).

Thank you for taking the time to support your student's application for our virtual fly-in programs. We appreciate the critical role you serve in mentoring, supporting, and fostering the development of these students. Be sure to watch for the link and, if you have any questions, please reach out to us at [peep@admissions.upenn.edu].

Sincerely,

Penn Admissions

(more information about both programs on next page)

Program Information

***PIF** 2020 will be held virtually this year and will include a mix of live and pre-recorded sessions to ensure students are able to participate across a variety of time zones. The live sessions will be held on **Thursday, September 17th** and **Saturday,September 19th**, with additional optional programs throughout the month of September and October.

PIF offers academically high-achieving high school seniors who wish to explore and celebrate cultural communities that have been historically underrepresented at highly selective universities to explore Penn's Ivy League, world-class academic resources and vibrant extracurricular life. They'll be exposed to the extensive cultural engagement opportunities infused throughout the intellectual and social experience at Penn.

**** PEEP 2020** will be held virtually this year and will include a mix of live and pre-recorded sessions to ensure students are able to participate across a variety of time zones. The live sessions will be held on **Saturday, October 10th** and **Monday, October12th**, with additional optional programs throughout the month of September and October.

PEEP offers academically high-achieving high school seniors from low-income or first-generation college backgrounds the opportunity to gain first-hand experience with the academic and social life at the University of Pennsylvania, an Ivy League university located in Philadelphia, PA. PEEP will include significant content that may be of particular interest to students from historically underrepresented groups, including African-American, Latino, Native American, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian. In this selective program, we are specifically seeking academically high achieving high school seniors from low-income or first generation college backgrounds.

The three primary goals of PEEP are:

- To allow students to explore the academic pathways, social atmosphere, and support network at Penn as they continue to hone their college lists
- To inform students about Penn's affordability and grant-based financial aid
- To equip students to strengthen their college applications, especially to highly selective institutions