

FAIRMOUNT WATER WORKS

PROJECT FLOW Application Summer 2014

Project Flow is...

Project Flow is a partnership between the Fairmount Water Works and Germantown Friends School.

Project Flow invites public and private school students to explore water as artists, scientists, historians, and social activists.

Project Flow is a five-week summer program from June 30th to August 1st 2014 from 9 a.m. to 3p.m. out of the Fairmount Water Works, 640 Water Works Drive Philadelphia. It is for students entering 8th or 9th grade in Fall 2014.

Project Flow exposes students to Philadelphia's water system, its waterways and infrastructure to help foster a better understanding of urban watershed issues such as water quality, public health, and stormwater management.

Project Flow fosters long-term civic engagement and environmental stewardship

Project Flow balances hands-on experiential programs on site with many field trips opportunities such as boating, nature walks and camping.

Project Flow culminates in a photography project that is both journalistic and artistic in focus.

Project Flow is a no-fee program; however, students are chosen through a highly selective application process (if accepted, there is a *suggested* activities fee).

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How to Apply:

Applications are due by April 15, 2014; Notification of acceptance by April 30, 2014

- 1) Download the application from our website at: <http://fairmountworks.com> and fill out the student forms with your information.
- 2) Write short essays explaining what you will bring to the program your interest in water, and any other relevant information.
- 3) Have a teacher complete the teacher recommendation (important: this must be delivered to us in a separate sealed, signed envelope).
- 4) Make a copy of your most recent report card.
- 5) Mail all of these materials in one envelope to:
Fairmount Water Works
ATTN: Project Flow
640 Waterworks Drive
Philadelphia, PA 19130

If you have any questions, please call or email
215-510-2509/chris.singler@gmail.com

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PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION

Dear parent or guardian,

Please fill out all of this information completely

Student's Name:

Nickname:

Birth date (mm/dd/yyyy):

Gender (circle one):

Male

female

Home address:

Street:

City:

State:

Zip Code:

Best phone number to contact you (parent/guardian):

Email address (print):

School and grade May 2013:

School and grade Fall 2014:

What school(s) has your child attended?

Give years attended

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Please circle the level of swimming that best describes your child :

Non-swimmer

Beginner

Comfortable

Proficient

Parents/guardian, write us a short paragraph explaining what strengths and weaknesses your child would bring to this program:

Parent full name: (please print) :

Parent Signature:

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STUDENT SHORT ESSAY:

Dear student,

Please use complete sentences and write neatly.

How would friends describe you?

How would teachers describe you?

What is your best quality?

What is your worst quality?

How did you hear about **ProjectFlow** ?

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STUDENT SHORT ESSAY (Continued):

What action have you taken to help the earth in the past year?

What do you do on your free time?

Do you work well with others in small and/or large groups?

Personal Statement:

In the space below, explain what qualities you will bring to **Project Flow**, why you are interested in exploring water this summer, and anything else you want us to know about you, your family, or your dreams.

OR

In place of an essay, you can choose to make a YouTube video that answers these questions and provide us the link.

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TEACHER RECOMMENDATION FORM

Please return this to the student in a sealed envelope, and sign the flap on the back of the envelope.

Dear Teacher,

_____ is applying for a summer program called **Project Flow**. It is a 5-week, interdisciplinary exploration of water. Students will be going on many field trips, conducting experiments, gathering data, writing, photographing and ultimately, becoming engaged and active in their own communities (school or home). There will be about 20 students chosen for this program from both public and private schools in the Philadelphia area.

We have a few questions for you.

1) What qualities will this student bring to an intense, experiential, hands-on program?

2) Compared with other students you know, what seem to be this student's strengths overall?
Please comment on both academics and social life.

3) Compared with other students you know, what seem to be this student's weaknesses overall?
Please comment on both academics and social life.

4) Is there anything that would give you pause in recommending this student to us?
Please explain.

5) I recommend this student (please circle one of the following):

No reservations

Some reservations

Complete reservations

6) Overall, I would rank this student (academically):

Excellent

Very Good

Good

Fair

Poor

Anything else you would like to add? (Feel free to use a separate sheet of paper)

Name: _____ Position: _____

Signature: _____ Phone#: _____