

The Explorers Program is an award-winning college, career, and life readiness program that enables Newark based high school students to build essential skills and self-confidence through the Museum's unique collections, resources, and staff.



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PROGRAM SUCCESS

- We serve 50 students in grades 9-12 each year.
- The Explorers Program is a year-round, 3 to 4-year program.
- Students attend workshops focused on leadership training, public speaking, team-building, STEM learning, and museum-based art.
- Over the past 15 years, 100% of graduates have attended institutions of higher education.
- In the past 29 years, the Explorers Program has served over 400+ youth.
- Over 40+ alumni have returned to work at The Newark Museum of Art.



HOW TO APPLY

Must be a rising freshman, a rising sophomore, or a rising junior.

- Must attend a Newark school or reside in Newark
- Minimum GPA of 2.7
- One (1) teacher recommendation letter
- Current grades
- Completed short response and essay

All applications undergo an extensive review process. Once selected, applicants will be interviewed between July - August. If accepted, students participate in a 3-day orientation in October.



EXPLORER BENEFITS

- Paid Museum internship
- Access to Museum professionals
- Field trips and college tours
- 3-day senior trip
- Special invitation to Museum Gala
- STEM workshops
- College readiness workshops
- Career 101 workshops
- Life skills workshops
- Financial literacy workshops
- Free SAT Prep
- Free access to other museums
- 20% discount in the Museum shop
- Make new friends!

Application

Applications open on March 1, 2025. The deadline for the application is June 1, 2025. Only completed applications will be reviewed. If you have any questions contact us at: explorersprogram@newarkmuseumart.org.

Upcoming Teen Nights

Join us and meet the Explorers!

Friday, Feb 14, 2025 | 6-9 PM

Friday, Mar 21, 2025 | 6-9 PM

Wednesday, Apr 21, 2025 | 6-9 PM