



**USJ Program Application for October 2017 through April 2018**

Signed applications are due no later than **October 5, 2017.**

Please send applications via e-mail to [contact@u4sj.org](mailto:contact@u4sj.org).

*United for Social Justice (USJ)* is a non-profit organization committed to enable first generation minority high school junior and senior students go to college. **Our programs are free to our students.**

Students accepted into the program will benefit from:

1. **Road to College Workshop Program:** Interactive workshops facilitated by professionals and experts from local universities on subjects such as: finding scholarships, college loans and financial literacy, writing your college essay, developing a strong resume, choosing a college, college admissions, and SAT prep.
2. **Mentoring:** one-on-one mentoring where students have the opportunity to receive mentoring from a college student or graduate in academics and the college application process.
3. **USJ Scholarship Opportunity** (for USJ seniors only): Every year USJ awards scholarships to selected senior students who have attended USJ events, embody USJ's spirit, and apply for the scholarship.
4. **A support network:** Our group of students will feel a sense of family in our programs through the individualized attention and guidance they will receive from the board members, the facilitators, their mentors, and their peers. Many of our students have called USJ a "familia" or family because we also create recreational activities for our students to bond (soccer tournament), we follow-up with the students' progress, and we provide students with additional scholarship, program, and internship information.

Program Requirements:

1. Be in 11<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup> grade in any high school and submit the enclosed application. Sophomores and freshmen will be accepted as well, but please keep in mind our program is designed for juniors and seniors.
2. Student should attend our kickoff event in October with at least one parent or guardian. USJ will inform you via email in September of our calendar of events.
3. Commitment to attend and actively participate in all monthly USJ events throughout the school year.



**STUDENT INFORMATION**

Last name \_\_\_\_\_ First name \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

Cell phone \_\_\_\_\_ Parent/guardian's tel. \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_

Grade \_\_\_\_\_ most recent GPA \_\_\_\_\_ have you taken an SAT? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a returning USJ student? \_\_\_\_\_

List all activities and college-bound programs you plan to be a part of during the 2017-2018 school year: \_\_\_\_\_

List your dietary restrictions, if any? (we sometimes offer food in our events) \_\_\_\_\_

By signing below, I make a commitment to attend the USJ monthly workshops and mentoring sessions and be active in all USJ's activities. I understand that my parents need to provide my transportation to attend the workshops and recreational activities. I also understand that USJ, its board members, mentors, and volunteers are not responsible for any injuries or accidents I may incur during the meetings or events.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant's signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

How did you hear about USJ?

Please tell us why you would like to be part of USJ.

Why do you want to go to college?



**PARENT/GUARDIAN 1 INFORMATION**

Last name \_\_\_\_\_ First name \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ zip code \_\_\_\_\_

Cell phone \_\_\_\_\_ Home Tel. No. \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_ Highest level of education completed: \_\_\_\_\_

Did you attend college in the U.S. (circle an answer): Yes No If yes, where? \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation \_\_\_\_\_ Name of Employer \_\_\_\_\_

**PARENT/GUARDIAN 2 INFORMATION**

Last name \_\_\_\_\_ First name \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ zip code \_\_\_\_\_

Cell phone \_\_\_\_\_ Home Tel. No. \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_ Highest level of education completed: \_\_\_\_\_

Did you attend college in the U.S. (circle an answer): Yes No If yes, where? \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation \_\_\_\_\_ Name of Employer \_\_\_\_\_

As a parent/guardian(s), I hereby sign this document as an agreement to encourage my child to be active in all USJ activities. I also understand that I will need to provide transportation to my child to attend the workshops and recreational activities. I understand that USJ, its board members, mentors, and volunteers are not responsible for any injuries or accidents my child may have during the meetings or events.

**Parent/guardian 1:**

Last name \_\_\_\_\_ First name \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/guardian's signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Parent/guardian 2 (if applicable):**

Last name \_\_\_\_\_ First name \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/guardian's signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Photo Release Waiver**



**Authorization and Release**

I hereby grant permission to United for Social Justice (hereinafter “USJ”), and its officers, board members, students, representatives, successors, to photograph my image, likeness, or depiction and/or that of my minor children (if applicable). I hereby grant permission to USJ to edit, crop, or retouch such photographs, and waive any right to inspect the final photographs. I hereby consent to and permit photographs of me and/or those of my minor children to be used by USJ worldwide for any purpose, including educational and advertisement purposes, and in any medium, including print and electronic. I understand that USJ may use such photographs with or without associating names thereto. I further waive any claim for compensation of any kind for the USJ's use or publication of photographs of me and/or those of my minor children (if applicable).

I hereby fully and forever discharge and release USJ from any claim for damages of any kind (including, but not limited to, invasion of privacy; defamation; false light or misappropriation of name, likeness or image) arising out of the use or publication of photographs of me and/or those of my minor children (if applicable) by USJ, and covenant and agree not to sue or otherwise initiate legal proceedings against USJ for such use or publication on my own behalf or on behalf of my minor children. All grants of permission and consent, and all covenants, agreements and understandings contained herein are irrevocable.

I acknowledge and represent that I am over the age of 18, have read this entire document, that I understand its terms and provisions, and that I have signed it knowingly and voluntarily on behalf of myself and/or my minor children (if applicable).

If you are **over** 18 please sign here

_____	_____	_____
Applicant's printed name	Applicant's signature	Date

If you are **under** 18, one of your parent/guardian(s) must sign

_____	_____	_____
Parent/guardian's printed name	Parent/guardian's signature	Date

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Parent/guardian's printed name	Parent/guardian's signature	Date