Hello!

We are so happy that you attended BEAM 6 last year and we hope you had an amazing experience.

You’re now invited to apply to BEAM’s 7th–12th grade program. If you’re admitted, we make a commitment to support you for five years, including:

- Free attendance at BEAM 7, our 3-week program held at Bard College. We have an amazing summer planned for BEAM 7: fun math, students from around the city (many of whom attended BEAM 6), living on a college campus, and great activities and trips.
- Counseling and advising throughout 8th-12th grade, including support getting into the best high schools in New York City, getting into top summer programs for future years, and learning study skills and finding success in high school.
- Saturday classes including all kinds of math, computer programming, and more.
- Support with college admissions and financial aid, including SAT and ACT prep classes, advice on choosing the best colleges, and help writing great college application essays.
- Plus, all kinds of trips and other opportunities throughout the year!

If you fell in love with math at BEAM 6 and you’re ready to work hard for your future, we want to be here to support you.

Here are the steps to apply:

- Complete the enclosed student application.
- Complete the enclosed financial eligibility form. Admissions decisions are based on math readiness for BEAM 7, with priority given to those who come from lower-income families or who wouldn’t otherwise have access to similar programs. More detailed information on financial eligibility is available at beammath.org/beam-6-2017.
- Take the Admissions Challenge that will be administered in your school. (Or, if you do not attend a partner school, see below.)
- Optional: Submit your math portfolio. This is the notebook you received at graduation to show us what math you did outside of school. Bring this to your admissions challenge, or if you forget, you may mail the portfolio to us at our address above.
The timeline is:

- **Now:** You fill out this form and return it to BEAM.
- **February 5-March 3:** Admissions Challenge (AC)
  - Do you attend a BEAM partner school? Check this website to find out when we're coming to your school: beammath.org/partner-school-ac
  - If you do not see your school on the website, join us for the AC on Saturday, March 3rd, at New York University (251 Mercer Street, Manhattan) at 3:30pm. Directions are on the website above. If you cannot make that time, contact us to schedule a different time.
- **March 23:** Admissions decisions released by e-mail, mailed home, and sent to partner schools.

Then, if you’re admitted…

- **April:** Lunch information sessions for families of admitted students. You’ll get to meet our staff and ask questions. Return registration packets.
- **July 8-29:** BEAM 7!

**How do I return the application to BEAM?**

- Return it to us when we come to your school for the Admissions Challenge, along with your portfolio if you have it. Check the partner school AC website above or ask the teacher or staff member who nominated you to BEAM 6 when we are visiting.
- Scan it and email it to us: info@beammath.org
- Fax it us: 888-264-2793
- If you can’t do any of the above, mail it to us in the enclosed envelope.

We’re excited to see what you’ve been doing since BEAM!

Sincerely,

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BEAM 7: Student Application 2018

Part 1: Contact Information

Student Name: ____________________________________  ☐ Male  ☐ Female

What do you like to be called (e.g. “Dan” for “Daniel”): ____________________________________

School: ____________________________________

Birthdate: _______________  Grade in school: _______________

Parent/Guardian #1 Name: ____________________________

Relationship to Student:  ☐ Mother  ☐ Father  ☐ Other: ____________________________

Parent/Guardian #2 Name (Optional): ____________________________

Relationship to Student:  ☐ Mother  ☐ Father  ☐ Other: ____________________________

Do parents speak and read English?  ☐ Yes  ☐ No  If not, what languages? ____________________________

Postal Mailing Address: ____________________________  Apartment: ________

City ____________________________  State ________  Zip ________

Phone numbers:

(_______) _______ - ____________  ☐ Home  ☐ Cell (whose): ____________

(_______) _______ - ____________  ☐ Home  ☐ Cell (whose): ____________

(_______) _______ - ____________  ☐ Home  ☐ Cell (whose): ____________

(_______) _______ - ____________  ☐ Home  ☐ Cell (whose): ____________

E-mail addresses:

____________________________________  Whose? ____________________________

____________________________________  Whose? ____________________________

____________________________________  Whose? ____________________________

What’s the best way (and time) to reach you? ____________________________________
Part 2: Tell Us About Your Journey After BEAM 6

We want to know what you’ve been doing since BEAM 6. What did you like about BEAM 6? Why has that encouraged you to continue with BEAM? How will we help you accomplish the goals that you have set for yourself?

We left you lots of space to write, but you don’t have to use it all. A couple of sentences for each answer is OK. You can write more if you want to, however! If you have to use another sheet of paper, make sure to clearly label your answers so we know which question you’re responding to.

1. Do you like math? Why or why not?

2. What did you enjoy the most about BEAM 6?
3. Why do you want to continue with BEAM?

4. Since BEAM 6, have you been doing math outside of your school math class? What have you been doing and when do you work on it?

5. What are you doing differently in 7th grade because of BEAM 6?
6. What kind of math do you find most interesting? What's your favorite problem that you've ever worked on and why?

7. If you could learn anything (math or not math), what would you like to learn and why?

8. What do you want to achieve in 8th grade? Why?
9. BEAM is a five-year program with support throughout 8th-12th grade to help you succeed. Here are some of the things we do. Which three are you most excited about?

- 8th grade Saturday class to prepare for the SHSAT
- 8th grade support on high school applications
- 8th grade Saturday class to learn Algebra 1 before high school
- 9th & 10th grade classes about study and life skills for high school
- 9th & 10th grade classes to teach computer programming
- 9th & 10th grade classes to learn more math
- 11th & 12th grade SAT/ACT prep classes
- 11th & 12th grade counseling to apply to college
- Advising and support to apply to future summer programs
- Weekly Math Team Training
- Field trips to visit labs and businesses with careers that use math

Why did you select those three?
10. BEAM's programs require a commitment. Many of our classes and events during the year happen at NYU in midtown Manhattan, and BEAM can help cover the cost of transportation but you must still come. It also requires replying to our calls, emails, and text messages, and communicating with us about your work. Have you ever made a big commitment like that? How do you know that you will keep this commitment?

12. Is there anything else you want to tell us?

Bring this application to your BEAM Admissions Challenge, or return to:

BEAM
55 Exchange Place, Suite 603
New York, NY 10005

Or e-mail to info@beammath.org, or fax to (888) 264-2793.
BEAM Financial Eligibility Form

Greetings from BEAM! Our goal is to make this form as simple to fill out as possible. If you have any questions, please call us or email us using the contact information above. We are able to provide support in Spanish and may be able to arrange support in other languages upon request. (BEAM does not take immigration or documentation status into account in admissions, and all information will be kept confidential.)

Si prefiere comunicarse en español, por favor llame o envíe un correo electrónico a BEAM usando la información de arriba. Podemos ofrecer soporte en español. (BEAM no considera el estado de inmigración o documentación en las admisiones, y toda la información se mantendrá confidencial.)

Part 1: Contact Information

Student Name: ________________________________

Part 2: Documentation

To confirm eligibility for BEAM, you must submit these 2017 income documents: Signed copy of 2017th federal income tax return, including schedules, if applicable; all 2017 W-2/1099 forms; and documentation of any other 2017 non-taxable income, such as Social Security and child support. Please delete or black-out all social security numbers.

* If you have not filed 2017 taxes yet, we will accept a complete, signed 2016 federal tax return, along with copies of all 2017 W-2/1099 forms, or your latest pay stub(s) of 2017 and any other 2017 non-taxable income.

Part 3: Financial Questionnaire

What is your annual household income? $________________________

What is your household size? __________________________

Include student, parent(s) (or your custodial parent if divorced/separated), (step) brothers and (step) sisters, and other relatives who are dependent on the income given above.

Current value of cash/savings/checking accounts: $________________________

Current value of investments (i.e., stocks, bonds, CDs, etc.; do not include retirement accounts): $________________________

Do parents own or rent their home? [___] Own [___] Rent

Yearly Mortgage/rent payment: $_____________/year

Other expenses:

Yearly tuition paid for all children: $_________/year

Yearly uninsured medical/dental expenses: $_________/year

Yearly student loan repayment: $_________/year

Yearly other, not including usual living expenses: $_________/year

You must provide documentation for any of these expenses.
Part 4: Special Circumstances

If you were not required to file a 2017 (or 2016) tax return, or you have not yet filed a tax return, please explain here and submit documentation of all 2016 income. Please note that special circumstances and expenses shown above must also be documented.

If any of the circumstances listed below apply, please check the box and explain briefly below. You may also attach additional explanation/documentation.

[ ] Change in income (i.e. loss of job, loss of other income such as child support)

[ ] Change in household circumstances (i.e. parent divorce/separation, death of parent, change household size, home foreclosure)

[ ] Other education obligations (i.e. school tuition for parent, academic enrichment)

[ ] Other expenses, not including usual living expenses (i.e. childcare costs, child support paid out of the household, anticipated uninsured medical expenses, debt resulting from previous or loss or business losses):

Part 5: Certification

I certify that all information provided is accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that all the information will be kept confidential and will be verified by BEAM for purposes of determining financial eligibility. Any deliberate misrepresentation will void the application.

Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian: ________________________________         Date: ________

Please return this financial eligibility form and all documentation along with your BEAM application. If you are unable to submit all documents at this time, you may contact us to arrange an extension. The deadline for all financial eligibility paperwork is March 3, 2018. Please contact our office if you expect a delay in returning the financial eligibility paperwork.