











# SUSAN A. WEST SAN FRANCISCO **BAY AREA EXPERIMENT** SCHOLARSHIP FUND

SUMMER 2024

American Canyon High School Benicia High School Saint Patrick's High School **Berkeley High School** 

The Experiment invites students from American Canyon High School, Benicia High School, Saint Patrick's High School, and Berkeley High School to apply for a number of large partial scholarships from the Susan A. West San Francisco Bay Area Experiment Scholarship Fund. The scholarship can cover between \$1,000 and \$7,000 depending on need and program placement.

# Scholarship recipients must:

- Be flexible regarding program placement
- Have financial need
- Be mature, open-minded, and ready to experience a new culture

### Scholarship recipients and their families will need to pay for:

- The remainder of the program fee and international airfare
- Roundtrip domestic airfare to/from the program departure/return airport
- Visa fees, if applicable
- Immunizations, if applicable
- Personal spending money during the program

# Scholarship recipients are required to:

- Attend The Experiment's predeparture orientation in the spring, in the Bay Area or online
- Attend our Welcome Back Night in the fall, in the Bay Area
- Write a post-program reflection essay that we will share with our donors



# **HOW TO APPLY**

### SUBMIT APPLICATION FORM.

Complete the online application form for admission and financial aid at **experiment.org/ apply** by **December 15, 2023**. Choose "yes" to the question "Were you nominated to apply by your sponsoring organization, mentoring organization, or sending high school?" Then choose "**Benicia High School, American Canyon High School, Berkeley High School, or St. Patrick's High School - Susan A. West Bay Area Scholarship**" from "The Experiment Partner Organization/School" dropdown menu.

### SUBMIT CONFIRMATION MATERIALS.

Applicants will need to submit the following materials to be considered for an interview: Conditions of Participation form, health forms, an electronic color copy of your signed passport, a copy of your COVID-19 vaccination card, and Acknowledgement of Risk form.

### **GET A PASSPORT.**

If you do not have a passport valid through **February 28, 2025** you are required to apply for a passport at the time of application. The average wait time for new passport applications is **12 weeks**. Visit **travel.state.gov/passports** to apply for or renew your passport ASAP. Non-U.S. citizens should check with their local embassy to apply or renew their passport and learn about visa requirements and travel restrictions.

### **INTERVIEW.**

By February, you will be invited to attend a required group interview session in person or online. By March, you will hear from The Experiment if you have been accepted, your program match, and if scholarships/financial aid are applicable.

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