

# STARTALK Penn High School Urdu Program Application

URDU – STARTALK Program  
South Asia Center  
820 Williams Hall  
255 S. 36th Streets  
Philadelphia, PA 19104-6305



PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT WITH INK

Application Deadline: May 30

## SECTION 1: PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name:

LAST

FIRST

MIDDLE

Sex:  Male  Female

Birthdate (mm/dd/yyyy):  Birth Country:

Country of Citizenship:

Ethnic Group (optional)(please select all that apply):  American Indian/Alaskan Native  Hispanic/Latino  
 Asian/Pacific Islander  White/Caucasian  
 Black/African American  Other

Current Address:

STREET

CITY

STATE/PROVINCE

COUNTRY

ZIP

Permanent Address:

(if different from above)

STREET

CITY

STATE/PROVINCE

COUNTRY

ZIP

Telephone Number(s) Home:  Cell:

(###) ###-####

(###) ###-####

E-Mail Address:

Please list your dominant language:

Additional language(s) in which you are proficient (optional):

From where did you learn about this program?

## SECTION 2: EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

What high school will you attend in 2008–09?

Address:

Dates of Attendance:

Level or year (freshman, sophomore, junior, senior, graduated) you will enter in 2008–09:

Did you attend another high school previous to this one?

What was the name of the previous high school?

Address:

Dates of Attendance:

What is your cumulative high school GPA?

Do you have previous experience in learning Urdu?

If yes, where did you learn?

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Describe your level of ability:

Do you speak Urdu or any language other than English at home?

Is Urdu or any language other than English used by your family at home?

Have you visited India, Pakistan or other Urdu-speaking areas? Where and between what dates?



## SECTION 3: PERSONAL STATEMENT (400–500 WORDS)

Please respond to the following questions on separate sheets of paper and submit with this application. Essays should be typewritten, double-spaced, and 400-500 words in total (i.e. not per question).

1. How does the program relate to your present and future personal and academic goals?
2. What are your expectations from the STARTALK Urdu Program?
3. Do you intend to study Urdu after the STARTALK Urdu Program? How?



## SECTION 4: TEACHER'S RECOMMENDATION

Submit a sealed letter of reference from one teacher who must address the following questions:

1. How long and in what capacity have you known the applicant?
2. Does the applicant demonstrate a consistently high level of personal maturity and sense of responsibility?
3. Is the applicant dedicated to academic achievement? How will the applicant benefit from this experience?
4. It is important that participants attend regularly and complete the program. Do you believe that the student will complete the program responsibly?



## SECTION 5: SUBMISSIONS AND APPLICANT SIGNATURE

Please be sure to submit the following materials to:

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1. Completed application form
2. Official sealed transcripts from all high schools attended
3. Sealed letter of recommendation
4. Personal statement (400–500 words total)

*The application will not be reviewed until all required materials have been received.*

I certify that I have read and understood the information in this form and that the information I have provided is accurate and complete.

Applicant's signature and Date:

Applicant's parent's or guardian's signature if applicant is a minor (under 18) and Date:

Applicant's parent's or guardian's name and contact information

Name:

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Phone numbers: