The Cardinals Interact Program is looking for students to join the Class of 2024. The mission of the program is to help Cardinals Interact students achieve lifelong success. The Cardinals participate in an incredible three year journey by getting ready for college, creating friendships with their peers, and making an impact in their community.

The program offers Cardinals academic support, tutoring, and mentoring activities, along with the opportunity to become part of a positive community. During the first year, students are required to attend first year camp, a parent orientation and one day of tutoring a week. Throughout their time in the program, students will have in-person and virtual visits to local businesses, non-profits, and public organizations to learn about different career opportunities. Participants will also continue to attend a mandatory camp once a year and contribute to community service projects, health and safety permitting.

Students who successfully complete the entire program are awarded a one-time scholarship of $1,500 towards a higher education institution.

To qualify for the program students need to:
- Be a 10th grader, attending and planning to graduate from Hoover High School;
- Maintain good attendance and citizenship at school and in the program;
- Have a desire to improve academically—You must have at least a 1.0 grade point average (GPA) to qualify for the program. Once in the program, students are expected to reach and maintain a minimum of a 2.5 GPA each quarter;
- Have a desire to make personal improvements;
- Be available to attend scheduled activities; and
- Be motivated and open-minded.

Application Process
- Applications are only available to students who plan on attending Hoover High School through graduation.
- Students must submit a completed application, which includes a letter of recommendation.
- From the applications, we will select an estimated 100 students to interview for the program on a scheduled date.
- 50 students will be selected from the students who are interviewed.

If you have any questions call Beatriz Valencia at 619-818-4781 or e-mail bvalencia@pricephilanthropies.org

Good Luck,

Beatriz Valencia, Executive Director
COMMITMENT FORM

**Please make sure that you and your parents/guardians review the required Cardinals Interact Program commitments and sign the bottom of this form**

This year we are taking into consideration the health and safety of our community as we plan our events. We hope to host events in person, but have also created a virtual platform in case that is not possible. We will communicate with applicants throughout the process. The following are mandatory events and tentative dates. Students who do not participate may be disqualified from the application process and the program. Students should discuss the dates with their parents/guardians before they submit the application. If there are questions regarding any of the events, please contact us.

October 27, 2021
Interviews
Place: TBA
Time: TBA

November 10, 2021
Orientation with Parents/Guardians
Place: TBA
From: 5:00pm-8:00pm

November 17, 2021
New Class Meeting
Place: TBA
From: 4:00pm-6:00pm

November 20-23, 2021
First Year Camp
Place: TBA

By applying for the Cardinals Interact Program you are demonstrating an interest and sincere willingness to:
- Attend regularly scheduled programs with an open mind;
- Maintain and sustain a minimum of a 2.5 Grade Point Average once accepted into the program;
- Attend a minimum of a one-hour academic support session once a week during the school year;
- Be respectful of people’s opinions and value the differences of others;
- Possess the willingness to learn and embrace the goals and mission of the program;
- Make an effort to develop strong leadership skills;
- Make an effort to establish a relationship with everyone in your class;
- Maintain a smoke, drug, alcohol and violence free program environment;
- Respect all staff members of the program;
- Reflect a positive image inside and out of the program; and
- Stay enrolled at Hoover High School until graduation.

I have read all of the information about this program and if selected I will make every effort to fully comply with all of the above.

Applicant (Student) Signature
Applicant’s (student) Name
Date

I have read the above requirements and provide permission to have the above named student participate in the Cardinals Interact Program. I agree to allow the Cardinal Interact Program to have access to my son/daughters academic and attendance records.

Parent/Guardian Signature
Parent/Guardian Name & Relationship to Student
Date

Please submit the completed application to the
Cardinals Interact Offices - 4305 University Ave. Suite 600, San Diego, CA 92105
1. List the school and/or community activities you are most involved in (sports, clubs or organizations). Tell us about your role in these activities.

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2. What makes you different from your friends and classmates?
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3. Think of a leader in your school or community you admire. Who is it? What leadership qualities make them successful?
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4. If you were given the power to make a change at your school or in your community, what would you do?
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5. San Diego Mayor Todd Gloria identified important issues for San Diego's future: Housing, Homelessness, Transportation, Climate, Public Safety, Racial Justice, and Gun Violence. Which issue is most important to you? Why?

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6. If you could invite someone not related to you to dinner, whether living, deceased, famous or not famous, who would you invite? What would you talk about?

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7. What is one of the biggest challenge you are facing right now?

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8. How do you plan to take advantage of the Cardinals Interact Program activities? (i.e. programs, after school support, community service)

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LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION

Applicant Name________________________________________

Recommender Name____________________________________ Relationship to Student________________________________

Recommender Telephone #__________________________ Recommender Email________________________________________

This recommendation is to be filled out by a teacher or school administrator who knows the student well (within the past two years.) The form will become part of our confidential application file used only by the appropriate program staff. It will not be shared with the applicant.

STUDENT RATING

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OVERALL RECOMMENDATION (Please only mark one)

A. I strongly recommend this student ______
B. I recommend this student ______
C. I recommend this student with reservation (Please Explain) ______
D. I do not recommend this student (Please Explain) ______

Briefly write why the program would be a good fit for the student. Please enclose additional sheets if necessary.

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Signature of Recommender __________________________________________ Date ______________________

For questions call Beatriz Valencia at 619-795-2008 or email: bvalencia@pricephilanthropies.org

Please send to: Price Philanthropies - 4305 University Ave. Suite 600, San Diego, CA 92105
or submit to student in a sealed envelope.