A complete application will include all of the following materials scanned and emailed, mailed in one envelope, dropped off, OR faxed together:

1. **Personal Information Form** with required signatures (Only submit ONLINE OR PAPER form)  
   *Online submission is preferred.*

2. **Two essays** of max 500 words EACH

3. **Official transcript** of the current academic year

4. **Two Recommendation Forms** (One must be completed by a teacher in a core subject and the other may be completed by a teacher, counselor, or community leader.)

### SELECTION PROCESS

Participants will be selected by a committee of Pomona College faculty, staff, and students. The selection committee will consider every part of the application and make recommendations based on **academic potential**. In some cases, the selection committee will request to interview an applicant. The following are the dates for the selection process:

- **APPLICATION DEADLINE**: Postmarked, faxed, emailed, or dropped off by Friday, February 2, 2018
- **APPLICATION REVIEW**: March 1 – April 27, 2018
- **NOTIFICATION OF DECISION**: Friday, May 4, 2018
- **SUMMER PROGRAM DATES**: Sunday, June 17 – Friday, July 13, 2018

**Academic Year Calendar will be shared upon admission**

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**NOTE:** ALL NEW APPLICANTS MUST CURRENTLY BE ENROLLED IN 9th Grade and attend high school in LA County, Riverside County, or San Bernardino County. Also, neither college nor high school credit is awarded for participation in PAYS. Incomplete and late applications will not be evaluated.

Questions and or applications can be submitted at: PAYS@pomona.edu

If you prefer to mail, fax, or drop-off your application, use the following contact information:

**Draper Center for Community Partnerships**
Pomona College
Attn: PAYS
735 N. Dartmouth Ave. Claremont, CA 91711
Phone: (909) 607-1810 Fax: (909) 607-8006
The two essay responses help us become acquainted with you in ways different from recommendations, courses, and grades. They are also an opportunity for you to demonstrate your ability to organize thoughts and express yourself. Help us get to know you better as both a person and as a student through your essays.

Please complete the questions below on a separate sheet of paper. No more than 500 words per essay. Double space if typed. Include your name on all sheets.

Please respond to the following two prompts: (Maximum 500 words for EACH essay)

1) Think about your educational experience so far; what are your thoughts about it? What would you change? Why? Is there anything you would keep the same? Why? You may choose to consider your educational experience in comparison to others in your school, your school district, and/or the country.

AND

2) Discuss a situation where you have faced a significant challenge. How did this experience affect you and what did you learn from this experience?
Pomona College Academy for Youth Success
Personal Information Form 2018

Application Deadline: February 2, 2018
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First Name: ___________________________ Middle Initial: _______ Last Name: ___________________________

Gender: ☐ Girl ☐ Boy ☐ Transgender

Address: ___________________________________________________________

City: __________________________________________________________ Zip Code: __________

Home Phone: (_____ )__________ - ___________ Student Cell Phone: (_____ )__________ - ___________

Student Email Address: ____________________________________________

RACE / ETHNICITY

Check all that apply: List the countries or regions that best describe your background:

☐ Asian
☐ Black, African American
☐ Hispanic, Latino
☐ Native American, Native Alaskan
☐ Pacific Islander, Native Hawaiian
☐ White
☐ Other

Language(s) Spoken at Home: ____________________________________________

HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION

School Name: ___________________________ Grade: _________ Expected Year of HS Graduation: _________

School Address: ___________________________________________________________

Guidance Counselor:

If no counselor is present, state “No Counselor is present at my school.”

Phone: (_____ )__________ - _________ Email: ____________________________

HOUSEHOLD INFORMATION

Applicant resides with Parent/Guardian 1 ☐ ☐ Applicant resides with Parent/Guardian 2 ☐ ☐

Yes No

Name of Parent/Legal Guardian 1 ___________________________

Name of Parent/Legal Guardian 2 ___________________________

Parent/Guardian 1 Address (if different from student’s address) ___________________________

Parent/Guardian 2 Address (if different from student’s address) ___________________________

City/State/Zip _____________________________________________

City/State/Zip _____________________________________________

Cell Phone: (_____ )__________ - ___________ Cell Phone: (_____ )__________ - ___________

Email: ____________________________________________

Email: ____________________________________________
Household Information (cont.)

Check the highest year of schooling completed by your parent(s) or guardian(s).

Parent/Guardian 1:

__ Less than high school
__ Some high school
__ High school diploma or equivalent
__ Some college
__ Vocational/Technical School
__ 2-year college diploma (AA, AS)
__ 4 year college diploma (BA, BS)
__ Graduate school (MA, MS, PhD, MD, etc.)

In what country did this parent/guardian receive their highest level of education: __________________________

Job title(s): ______________________________________

Place(s) of employment: ______________________________

Total Annual Household Income: $ ____________ (per year)

How many people are in your household? __________

If Parent/Guardian 2 is part of a different household, please answer the following two questions:

Parent/Guardian 2:

__ Less than high school
__ Some high school
__ High school diploma or equivalent
__ Some college
__ Vocational/Technical School
__ 2-year college diploma (AA, AS)
__ 4 year college diploma (BA, BS)
__ Graduate school (MA, MS, PhD, MD, etc.)

In what country did this parent/guardian receive their highest level of education: __________________________

Job title(s): ______________________________________

Place(s) of employment: ______________________________

Total Annual Household Income for 2nd household: $ ____________ (per year)

How many people are in 2nd household? __________

Is the applicant enrolled in the free or reduced lunch program? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Please list the members of your household(s) by name, age, and relationship. If more room is needed, attach a separate page. If multiple households, please indicate to which household each member belongs. Do not list yourself.

Example Melissa Perez-55-Mother, David Perez-12-Brother

Household Two: John Brown-58-Father, Josie -78-Grandmother

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Do you have siblings who are attending college?  □ Yes  □ No
If yes, list their name(s) and college(s): ______________________________________

Do you have siblings who have graduated from college?  □ Yes  □ No
If yes, list their name(s) and college(s): ______________________________________

Are you part of any of the following college preparatory programs? If so, check all that apply.

☐ AVID  ☐ Bright Prospect  ☐ Cal-Soap  ☐ College Bound  ☐ College Track
☐ Destination College  ☐ GEAR UP  ☐ MESA  ☐ Middle Years Program
☐ Next Level  ☐ Pomona Partners  ☐ Project Grad  ☐ Puente Project
☐ Talent Search  ☐ Uncommon Good  ☐ Upward Bound  ☐ Young Black Scholars
☐ Young Scholars Network  ☐ Other ______________________________________

All Applicants:

How did you hear about PAYS? If applicable, please list any people you know who are or have been connected to SSEP/PAYS, Pomona College, or the other Claremont Colleges. When listing people, include their relationship to SSEP/PAYS, Pomona College, or the other Claremont Colleges.
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Why do you want to participate in PAYS?
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What other summer opportunities/activities are you considering that might affect your ability to participate in PAYS?
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If you are in 10th or 11th grade, did you apply to PAYS last year?  
☐ Yes  ☐ No

I understand that this is not the complete PAYS application. I still must submit two essays, two recommendation forms, and my official transcript.  
☐ Yes

If selected, will you be fully committed to PAYS?  
☐ Yes  ☐ No

SIGNATURES
I certify that the information provided is true to the best of my knowledge. I am also aware that by signing, I agree to be fully committed to PAYS.

Student’s Name  (Print)  Student’s Signature  Date

Parent/Guardian’s Name (Print)  Date  Parent/Guardian’s Signature  Date
Pomona College Academy for Youth Success
Recommendation Form 2018

Application Deadline: February 2, 2018
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The student listed below is applying to the Pomona College Academy for Youth Success (PAYS) for high school students offered by Pomona College. Please comment on the applicant’s overall ability in the following areas, taking into specific consideration academic qualifications, commitment, and maturity. This reference will remain confidential and will be used solely to assist in decisions regarding the admissibility of the student to PAYS.

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 gives students who are admitted to and enroll in PAYS the right to review their educational records. If you would like to waive this right so that your reference can be submitted on a confidential basis, please sign below.

“I waive any right of access I may have to this reference and wish that it may be submitted confidentially on my behalf.”

Applicant’s signature __________________________ Date _________________

Please return this reference to the student in a sealed envelope bearing your signature across the sealed flap OR you can scan and email it to PAYS@pomona.edu from your school/work email.

Student’s Name: ____________________________________________

Please rate this student as objectively as possible in comparison to ALL the students you have taught, mentored, or supervised.

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Intellectual Qualities
Please use the space below to comment on the applicant’s analytical ability and originality.

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Rating/Recommendation
Of all the students you’ve taught, how would you rate the applicant?

For academic promise
☐ Top 5%  ☐ Top 10%  ☐ Top 30%  ☐ Average  ☐ Below average

For personal promise
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Please use the space below to comment on the applicant’s overall strengths and weaknesses.

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Name of Reference (please print): ________________________________________________

Signature: ____________________________________________________________________  Date: ______________

Title/Department/Organization: _________________________________________________  Years in field ______

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