

What is REACH?

REACH is a college advising and enrichment program for high school juniors and seniors. Together, you and your REACH classmates will develop the skills, motivation, and determination to enter and complete college successfully.

What do I gain?

A major benefit is that you will receive a **\$1,000 college scholarship**, once you have successfully completed REACH and enrolled in a 2- or 4-year college.

How much time will it take?

You must commit to weekly meetings from 4-6pm (starting October 2009). There will be two days/locations to choose from: Mondays in Central Square or Tuesdays in North Cambridge.

During these sessions, you will participate in workshops and fun group activities. These workshops will take place throughout your junior and senior year. Additionally, you will meet with your mentor every other week throughout the program.

Spend your junior and senior year with us and you will...

- ⊙ Get help with college admissions, financial aid, and scholarship applications
- ⊙ Explore your career goals and desires
- ⊙ Research and visit colleges
- ⊙ Prepare for the SAT exam, with instruction from Princeton Review
- ⊙ Develop leadership skills
- ⊙ Develop life skills, such as time management, goal-setting, and communication
- ⊙ Get a mentor, to help you through the process
- ⊙ Receive opportunities to go to special events
- ⊙ Have access to the REACH network, including older students and young professionals



To be eligible, you must...

- ⊙ Be in your junior year of high school in the Fall of 2009
- ⊙ Have a minimum GPA of 2.0
- ⊙ Want to go to college
- ⊙ Plan to take the SAT exam
- ⊙ Have completed and passed the following high school courses: Algebra I, 1 Science, and 2 English courses
- ⊙ Be registered for the following 11th grade courses: 1 Science with lab, 1 Foreign Language, at least 1 Social Studies class
- ⊙ Sign a contract with your parents/guardians agreeing to fulfill the REACH expectations

What are current students saying?

"The discussions we have are enlightening. I feel like instead of just thinking about who I am, I think of ways to better myself, and the steps necessary to accomplish it."

--REACH Scholar, class of '09

How do I apply?

For an application, please visit:
www.bostonvineyard.org/reach

For more information, contact Yolanda Darlington, at (617) 252-0005 x110 or yolanda@bostonvineyard.org.

What is the application process?

All students must submit an application and meet with REACH staff. Students who apply by the early deadline will be given priority in the application process and will be notified by the end of May. Students who submit applications for the regular deadline will be notified by the end of September.

Early application deadline: April 17th
Regular deadline: September 14th

How much does it cost?

Applying to the program is **free**. If accepted, you are required to pay a **non-refundable** enrollment fee of \$35 (for early applicants) or \$50 (for regular applicants). For those with special financial circumstances, scholarships are available.

How do I get there?

REACH will be held at two sites in the Cambridge area. On your application, you can select your preference of day and/or location.

Mondays: Central Square
Pentecostal Tabernacle
77 Columbia St.
Cambridge, MA 02139
www.ptspice.org

Closest T stop: Central Square (Red Line).
Bus routes: #1 or #68.

Tuesdays: North Cambridge
Greater Boston Vineyard
15 Notre Dame Ave.
Cambridge, MA 02144
www.bostonvineyard.org/REACH

Closest T stops: Davis Square or Alewife Station (Red Line). **Bus:** #83.

REACH is offered by the Greater Boston Vineyard (GBV) and Pentecostal Tabernacle (PT). GBV and PT are part of the Cambridge Youth Collaborative, a cluster of Cambridge churches that have come together to love and serve our youth. REACH is open to youth of all backgrounds and faiths.

Do you want to go to college?

We can help you get there!



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reach in. reach out. reach beyond.