

# Application for the Joshua Program: Vocational Discernment for High School Graduates at St. Dunstan's Academy

Your full name:

Date of birth:

Email:

Phone number:

Have you been baptized with water in the name of Father, Son, and Holy Spirit?

- Please attach or send a baptismal certificate, if possible.
- If no certificate, please give the name, place, and date of your baptism, to the best of your (or your parents' memory).

Do you unreservedly affirm the Nicene Creed and the Apostle's Creed (see below)?

*Note: Affirmation of the Nicene Creed with or without the filioque ["and the Son"] is acceptable. The 1928 Book of Common Prayer also specifies that "any Churches may, instead of the words, He descended into hell, use the words, He went into the place of departed spirits, which are considered as words of the same meaning in the Creed."*

**The Apostle's Creed:** "I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth: And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary: Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried: He descended into hell; The third day he rose again from the dead: He ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty: From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost: The holy Catholic Church; The Communion of Saints: The Forgiveness of sins: The Resurrection of the body: And the Life everlasting. Amen."

**The Nicene Creed:** "I BELIEVE in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible: And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God; Begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of very God; Begotten, not made; Being of one substance with the Father; By whom all things were made: Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, And was made man: And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried: And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures: And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father: And he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord, and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; Who spake by the Prophets: And I believe one Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church: I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins: And I look for the Resurrection of the dead: And the Life of the world to come. Amen."

**How would you describe your relation to Jesus and the Church?**

**What, if any, are your current Bible-reading and/or devotional practices?**

**How did you hear about the Joshua Program at St. Dunstan's Academy? What do you find most appealing about it?**

**If you do not get into the Joshua Program, what do you expect or hope to be doing in the fall?**

**Describe any experience you have in (1) farming or gardening, (2) the building arts, and (3) cooking. Describe any other elements of your background or experience that you think would be relevant to the Joshua Program, as you understand it. (No experience is necessary — but it is helpful for us to know.)**

**Do you sing or play a musical instrument? If so, which one? How long have you played it? (No experience is necessary — but it is helpful for us to know.)**

**Are you willing to learn a new musical instrument during your time at St. Dunstan's?**

**What kinds of music do you listen to? Who and what are your favorite musicians or music groups? Why do you like them?**

**Name and describe a book that was/is particularly meaningful, important, or transformative for you (not necessarily your favorite). Explain its significance.**

**Name and describe a class that was/is particularly meaningful, important, or transformative for you (not necessarily your favorite). Explain its significance.**

**Name and describe a person from your own life and/or from history who serves as a hero or role model for you. What attributes or behaviors do you admire about them?**

**Will you commit to abstaining from all personal use of digital technology (phones, computers, screens of all kinds, music players, etc.) while enrolled in the Joshua Program?**

**Will you commit to abstaining from all illegal drugs including marijuana, as well as alcohol, while enrolled in the Joshua Program?**

**Will you commit to abstaining from owning, possessing, or looking at all pornography and pornographic materials while enrolled in the Joshua Program?**

**Additional documentation:**

1. Please have three adult mentors send letters of recommendation to St. Dunstan's Academy (PO Box 1094, Waynesboro, VA 22980 or [mperkings@stdunstansacademy.org](mailto:mperkings@stdunstansacademy.org)). One should be from your pastor or priest.
2. Please attach or send a baptismal certificate, if possible.
3. Please attach (1) your high school transcript (or equivalent documentation) and (2) a resume with full contact information (phone, email, mailing address) and work history (place, dates, role, and type of work).
4. For applicants under the age of 18, a parent or legal guardian must submit a signed and dated letter affirming and explaining their interest in the program for their son. (Parents of adult applicants may also submit a letter if desired.)