



PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY

A Member of the Texas A&M University System

Summer Transportation Institute



Office: (936) 261-1665/1660

Email: sti@pvamu.edu

<http://www.pvamu.edu/sti>

FAX: (936) 261-1662

Spring 2009

Dear Prospective Student/ Nominating Parent/ Nominating Teacher/ Nominating Counselor:

Prairie View A&M University (PVAMU) is pleased to announce its "2009 Summer Transportation Institute" (STI) for rising 11th and 12th grade students. Sponsored by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) through the Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT) and designed by PVAMU, STI is a four-week, on-campus, learning opportunity for a diverse group of high school students. The program provides experiences for these students to enhance their awareness of career opportunities that exist in the transportation industry. The curriculum exposes students to new frontiers and adventures such as highway design, the transportation of people and cargo, intermodal (involving more than one form) transportation, safety, environmental issues and related career opportunities.

The 2009 PVAMU STI is scheduled to start on Sunday, June 7, 2009, and conclude on Friday, July 3, 2009.

Approximately 18 students will receive a scholarship which will cover the cost for participating in the PVAMU STI program. The cost for participation is approximately \$2,500 and the scholarship covers the entire cost thus making the program free for the selected participants. The participants will be selected through a competitive process based on the criteria listed in the application package. A parent, teacher, or counselor must nominate the student for the PVAMU STI program.

The \$2500 scholarship that is provided for each program participant covers the participant's room and board, field trips and hands-on activities, recreational activities, educational activities, project materials, laboratory time, computer facilities, and the end-of-program award presentation. Classes, labs and seminars are held on the university campus. Students and their adult peer counselors/tutors are housed in the University College Dormitory with males and females residing in separate wings. The library, game rooms, and exercise facilities are also open to STI students under adult supervision. Please see the attached brochure for additional details.

The enclosed application (2 pages) and recommendation form must be completed and submitted by May 8, 2009 along with a nomination letter from a parent/teacher/counselor. Also please include academic transcripts, copies of standardized test scores, and an essay describing why the student would like to participate in the STI program.

We solicit your support in informing potential participants about the PVAMU STI program and encourage their participation. If you have questions or need additional information, please contact Mrs. Sharon Gentry or me at the numbers listed above or email us at sti@pvamu.edu and visit our website <http://www.pvamu.edu/sti>.

Sincerely,

Raghava Kommalapati, Ph.D., P. E.

STI Director and Associate Professor

cc: Dr. Judy Perkins, Department Head, Department of Civil & Environmental Engineering
Dr. Kendall Harris, Dean, College of Engineering



PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY

A Member of the Texas A&M University System

Summer Transportation Institute
APPLICATION



Office: (936) 261-1665/1660

Email: sti@pvamu.edu

<http://www.pvamu.edu/sti>

FAX: (936) 261-1662

Applicant Information

Name: _____ SS# _____ Gender M F
(Please Print Clearly)
Address: _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Email: _____
Parents/Guardian: _____
Address (if different): _____ State _____ Zip _____
Telephone: (Home) _____ (Work or Cell) _____ Email: _____
Emergency Contact: _____ Phone: _____
Ethnicity: African American American Indian Hispanic Caucasian Asian American Other
Other information that you would like us to know about you _____

High School Information

School Attending Next Fall: _____
School Address: _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Guidance Counselor/Teacher's Name: _____
Telephone _____ Fax _____ E-mail _____
Awards/Achievements/Organizations: _____

During the next school year I will be in the: (Check One) 11th Grade 12th Grade Other (list) _____
Standardized Test Scores: _____ Grade Point Average: _____ out of _____ Rank _____ out of _____
List your math and science classes for next school year Math _____ Science _____



PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY

A Member of the Texas A&M University System

Summer Transportation Institute



Office: (936) 261 –1665/ 1660

Email: sti@pvamu.edu

<http://www.pvamu.edu/sti>

FAX: (936) 261-1662

Career Interest

Career Interest (You must Check One at least)

- | | | | |
|---|--|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Accounting | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil Enging | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Business | <input type="checkbox"/> Law | <input type="checkbox"/> Other Enging | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal Justice | <input type="checkbox"/> Marketing | <input type="checkbox"/> Technology . | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Computer Science | <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific Research | <input type="checkbox"/> Construction | |

Required Essay

Describe your career objectives, your interest in transportation, and how the Summer Transportation Institute can assist you in reaching your goals. Your essay must be typed, and may not be more than one (1) page.

Additional Information

Please complete and submit this application (2 pages) with the required signatures, Teacher/Counselor recommendation form signed by your school counselor or teacher, a nomination letter, a copy of standardized test scores, academic transcript, and an essay describing why you want to participate in the STI program to the following address. **Applications will not be processed with incomplete information.**

Submit Inquiries and/or Materials to : STI

Department of Civil & Environmental Engineering
P.O. Box 519, Mail Stop 2510
Prairie View A&M University
Prairie View, Texas 77446-0519

Participant Signature

I reviewed all the program details with my parents and counselors and if selected to attend STI, I pledge to attend all scheduled activities, classes and events and abide by PVAMU and STI rules.

Student Applicant Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature

I reviewed the STI program details and application material with my son/daughter. If selected, I will authorize my son/daughter to attend STI at PVAMU. I also understand that the participants are not allowed to stay away from the activities (including night and weekend activities) during the four-week period.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date



PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY

A Member of the Texas A&M University System

Summer Transportation Institute
Teacher/Counselor Recommendation Form



Office: (936) 261-1665/1660

Email: sti@pvamu.edu

<http://www.pvamu.edu/sti>

FAX: (936) 261-1662

Instructions

Teacher or Counselor – Please complete the form and either give it to the student or mail to Director, STI, Dept. of Civil & Environmental Engineering P.O. Box 519, Mail Stop 2510, Prairie View A&M University, Prairie View, TX 77446. Please be precise with your comments and evaluation on any disciplinary issues with the student.

Student Evaluation

Name of Student _____ SS# _____

Student's GPA is _____ on a _____ scale Rank No. _____ in class of _____

Please complete if information is available.

Test Scores	Raw Scores	Percentile Rank	Date Taken
PSAT			
ACT			
TAAS Texas Resident only			

Please evaluate this student compared with his/her peers.

	Good	Excellent Top 25%	Outstanding Top 10%
Intellectual Ability			
Motivation			
Conduct			
Emotional Maturity			

Please provide additional comments on applicant (particularly their academic skills and conduct):

Teacher/Counselor Information

Name (print): _____ Title _____

School: _____ Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____ Email: _____

Subjects you teach/title: _____

Signature _____

Date _____

*Your recommendation form will be handled in a **CONFIDENTIAL** manner when requested.*



PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY

A Member of the Texas A&M University System

Summer Transportation Institute



Office: (936) 261-1665/1660

Email: sti@pvamu.edu

<http://www.pvamu.edu/sti>

FAX: (936) 261-1662

Sample Nomination Letter: To be prepared by nominating person (parent, relative, teacher or counselor). This is a sample letter only. Please type your own letter and attach it with the application package.

Date _____

To
Director, Summer Transportations Institute (STI)
Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering
PO Box 519, Mail Stop 2510
Prairie View A&M University
Prairie View, TX 77446

Dear Dr. Kommalapati:

I wish to nominate _____ (name of nominee) to the Summer Transportation Institute program at Prairie View A&M University. I am listing some of the reasons why I believe _____ deserves to be considered for a scholarship with the STI program.

(list as many  as you wish)

I have known _____ (name of nominee) for ___ months/years and have known him/her to be _____. Please do not hesitate to contact me if I can provide any additional information.

Sincerely,

Nominator's Name
Complete address, phone number, and email
Relationship to Nominee

Nominee's Name
Complete address, phone number, and e-mail