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Objective: Each summer, the STARS Program at UT Southwestern Medical Center offers opportunities for students to work one-on-one with faculty researchers on an investigative project in a laboratory setting. This program provides meaningful experiences in biomedical research to encourage students to consider careers in the sciences. As part of the requirements of the program, each student will give an oral presentation of their experimental results and will present highlights of their experience to classmates at their home campus during their senior year.

Eligibility: Applicants must be at least **16 years old** by June 1, 2009, and be currently classified as a junior and enrolled in high school in the **Dallas Independent School District**. Criteria used to select candidates are class rank, standardized test scores, essay and personal interview. While an interest in science is very helpful for candidates, a strong willingness to learn and an enjoyment of the process of discovery are much more important than a background in the biological sciences.

Compensation: The eight-week program will begin on **June 8 and end on July 31, 2009**. This program is a **FULL TIME (M-F, 8hrs/day)** commitment and will require a considerable amount of time and effort on the part of the participants, therefore, no other major activities should be planned for the duration of the program. A **stipend of \$2500** will be paid to each student to compensate for any possible loss of income that this may cause.

How to apply: Students must provide a completed application form including: a personal essay, letters of recommendation from two teachers, a copy of SAT, PSAT or ACT scores, and official high school grade transcripts.

**ONLINE APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE AT
WWW.UTSOUTHWESTERN.EDU/STARS**

**Application materials must be POSTMARKED and/or received by
4p.m. on Friday, Feb. 6, 2009.**

If you would like to obtain an application or need additional information please contact:

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