What is the Power of YOU?
The Power of YOU is a program that makes college available tuition-free. It covers the cost of tuition and fees for two years or up to 72 credits at Century College, Minneapolis Community and Technical College (MCTC) and Saint Paul College through state and federal grants and private scholarships. The Power of YOU supports as many students as possible based on student need and funds available for the program.

What are the eligibility requirements?
- Graduate from a Minneapolis or Saint Paul public high school or one of the following suburban schools in Spring 2017:
  - Brooklyn Center
  - Columbia Heights
  - Henry Sibley Senior High
  - Richfield
  - Robbinsdale School District
  - Roseville Area Senior High
  - Simley Senior High
  - South St. Paul Senior High
  - Woodbury Senior High
  - Destination: Diploma to Degree (successful participants)

Eligible High Schools for Power of YOU 2018 at Century College:
- Irondale High School
- Mounds View High School
- Qualify for federal financial aid
- Satisfy the college(s) admission requirements
- Not exceed the family (student and parents) adjusted gross income cap of $75,000

How do I apply for the Power of YOU?
The steps below must be completed and all paperwork submitted to the school you wish to attend by May 11, 2018, for your application to be considered for the Power of YOU program for Fall 2018:

MAY 11 – DEADLINE TO COMPLETE ALL STEPS IN THE APPLICATION PROCESS

Application Steps (Use this checklist to make sure you complete your Power of YOU application process on time.)
- **Apply online for admission** to Century College, Minneapolis Community and Technical College and/or Saint Paul College and complete the admission process for the college(s) you wish to attend. If requested, do not pay $20 application fee. If you meet Power of YOU program eligibility requirements, your application fee will be waived when we receive your program application.
  - Apply to Century College at [www.century.edu/apply](http://www.century.edu/apply)
  - Apply to Minneapolis Community and Technical College at [www.minneapolis.edu/applynow](http://www.minneapolis.edu/applynow)
  - Apply to Saint Paul College at [www.saintpaul.edu/apply](http://www.saintpaul.edu/apply)
- Complete both sides of the attached **Power of YOU program application** and submit to the college(s) you wish to attend.
- Submit the 2018-2019 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and complete the financial aid process. You can apply online at [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov).
  **Submitting the FAFSA online is just the first step in completing the financial aid process. The process may take several weeks. Begin it early to make sure financial aid is completed before the Power of YOU application deadline.**
  FAFSA School Codes:  
  - Century College: 010546  
  - MCTC: 002362  
  - Saint Paul College: 005533
- Complete the placement test(s) at the college(s) you wish to attend.
  For testing hours and information, contact the Testing Center at the college(s) you wish to attend:
  - Century College: 651-779-4575
  - Minneapolis Community and Technical College: 612-659-6262
  - Saint Paul College: 651-846-1555
- Sign-up and attend a Century College New Student Orientation.
- Submit final high school transcript (with graduation date) or a copy of your high school diploma.

If you meet the eligibility requirements and complete the application steps prior to the deadline, your application will be reviewed and considered for participation in the Power of YOU. You will receive written notification of your admission to the college to which you applied.
You will receive a separate letter indicating whether or not you have been accepted into the Power of YOU.
PROGRAM APPLICATION

Application Deadline: The final deadline to complete all steps and receive consideration for the Power of YOU is May 11, 2018. The Power of YOU will support as many students as possible based on student need and funds available for the program.

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PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY. Please answer all the questions on this application. If you do not, your application to the program will be delayed. Items in this application will be used for identification and consideration for the Power of YOU program. Items will also be used for advising and counseling, course placement, financial aid decisions, and institutional research. The Admissions Office and Power of YOU program do not accept faxed applications.

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Social Security Number

If you do not provide this number, your application will still be processed. Without this information, there may be a delay in your ability to receive financial aid, to obtain your Personal Identification Number (PIN), or to register for classes.

Power of YOU Program Requirements:

In order to be considered for the Power of YOU program, applicants must complete the college admission online application process and meet the following criteria by the May 11 Power of YOU deadline:

- I will be a 2018 graduate of a Minneapolis or Saint Paul public high school or a select suburban high school.

  Name of high school: ____________________________________________

- I have completed and submitted the online general application for admission to the following college(s) (check all that apply):
  - Century College [www.century.edu/apply]
  - Minneapolis Community and Technical College [www.minneapolis.edu/applynow]
  - Saint Paul College [www.saintpaul.edu/apply]

- I understand that I must submit the 2018-2019 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and successfully complete the financial aid process. (The 2018-2019 application will be available in November 2017.

- I will complete the FAFSA before May 11 (check one):  
  - Online (preferred)  -OR-  
  - By mail

- I understand I must complete the college placement test(s) and meet requirements.

How did you hear about the Power of YOU Program?

________________________________________________________________________________________________________________________

Signature (required by all applicants)

All of the information included is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that misrepresentation of application information is sufficient grounds for canceling admission and consideration for the Power of YOU program.

________________________________________________________________________________________________________________________

Applicant’s signature         Date

For more information about the Power of YOU program, contact:

**Century College**
Trumanue Lindsey
651-779-3204 or
truumanue.lindsey@century.edu

**Minneapolis Community and Technical College**
Dena Russell
612-659-6771 or
dena.russell@minneapolis.edu

**Saint Paul College**
Kathleen Gordon
651-846-1325 or
kathleen.gordon@saintpaul.edu

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The Power of YOU Program Participation Agreement

Terms and Conditions

To participate in the Power of YOU Program, you must read, agree to, and check the following requirements:

- Register for at least 12 credits per term in a degree, diploma or certificate program (the Power of YOU Scholarship Award provides funding for up to 15 credits per semester).
- Attend an Century College New Student Orientation and register for Fall Semester 2018 classes
- Register for the Strategies for College Success class with your first semester of courses
- Submit an official copy of your high school transcript after graduation (must include graduation year) or copy of your high school diploma
- Submit a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) each year
- Meet Satisfactory Academic Progress requirements each term by maintaining a 2.0 cumulative GPA and completing 67% of credits attempted
- Participate in Power of YOU activities, including Civic Engagement/Service Learning.
- Must attend at least 4 Success Seminars

I have read and accept the terms and conditions of my participation in the Power of YOU Program. If I fail to meet the terms and conditions of the program, the Power of YOU reserves the right to remove me from the program and suspend payment of tuition and fees.

Dated: ____________________  Signed: _______________________________________________________________

Power of YOU Information Release

I authorize Century College, to release information about my participation and progress in the Power of YOU program to my high school in an effort to assist me in completion of the program requirements and/or for promotional purposes. I further authorize Century College to share information about me as it relates to my Power of YOU application, placement testing and enrollment. I understand that the information that will be released is classified as private under the Minnesota Data Practices Act, Chapter 13 and/or the federal Family Education Rights and Privacy Act.

I understand that by signing these Informed Consent Form that I am authorizing Century College to release information which would otherwise be private and not accessible to my high school. This consent expires upon completion of my participation in the Power of YOU program.

I am giving this consent freely and voluntarily. I understand that I can choose not to authorize the release of information to my high school and that my participation in the Power of YOU will not be impacted by this decision.

Dated: ____________________  Signed: _______________________________________________________________

Century College, MCTC and Saint Paul College will not discriminate against any person because of race, color, creed, religion, national origin, sex, disability, age, marital status, sexual orientation, or status with regard to public assistance or membership in a local commission. They prohibit sexual harassment and sexual violence.

This document is available in alternative formats to individuals with disabilities by calling Disability Services at 612-659-6730 (voice) or through Minnesota Relay Service at 1-800-627-3529.

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SID # ___________  Gen App in ISRS ☐
Date: ___________

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Participating Institutions
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