

2026 CWRU YES Application

Please answer all questions when prompted. Elaborate on essay questions. It is recommended that you DO NOT use your phone to fill out this application.

* Indicates required question

1. Email *

The Case Comprehensive Cancer Center is pleased to welcome you to the application process for our 2026 high school student summer research program - Youth Engaged in Science (YES). **YES is funded by the National Institutes of Health (“NIH”).**

Students will have the opportunity to participate in cancer research projects on a full-time basis, for a seven (7) week period. In addition to individually mentored cancer research projects, students will be provided with a broad range of cutting-edge scientific seminars, career insights, and college preparation. All participants will be expected to present their work in a final presentation at the end of the summer. Those accepted to the program will receive stipends for their full participation in YES. Please complete this application by **MARCH 2, 2026**. You will be notified of program acceptance during April 2026.

Students will be selected for participation based on their interest in science, their scholastic achievement and recommendation by their high school science teachers and/or school counselors. Applicants must have a minimum GPA of 3.0 and must be at least 14 years old by the time they begin research activities. **You should remind your science teacher or guidance counselor to provide via email your transcripts and a statement of recommendation to J.T. Render: jxr488@case.edu.**

ALL APPLICATIONS, TRANSCRIPTS, and STATEMENTS OF RECOMMENDATION MUST BE RECEIVED BY 11:59 PM ON MARCH 2, 2026.

Please email J.T. Render jxr488@case.edu with any questions or concerns regarding the program or your application.

2. First Name *

3. Last Name *

4. Date of Birth *

Example: January 7, 2019

5. Contact Information, Phone # *

6. Address: Street #, Street Name, City, State, Zip code *

7. School Information *

High School Currently Attending

8. Class you will be entering Fall 2026 *

Mark only one oval.

☐ Sophomore

☐ Junior

☐ Senior

☐ Other:

9. GPA (Min. 3.0 Required) *

10. Name of 1 (one) Parent, or Legal Guardian *

11. Phone number of person in previous answer above *

12. Please provide the email address for parent or legal guardian *

13. Have you previously participated in summer research at CWRU? *

Mark only one oval.

☐ Yes

☐ No *Skip to question 18*

Please tell us about your previous work at Case

Returning Student questions

14. Lab Director - Principal Investigator *

15. Summer Program Name *

16. How did you benefit from this project/program?

17. During the school year, did you maintain any contact with the lab you worked in previously?

Mark only one oval.

☐ Yes

☐ No

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Essay Questions

Please answer in detail, but be brief and to the point!

18. Have you had any previous experience with cancer? Let us know here if you have studied it ^{*} in classes, done any cancer research, or had any family or friends affected by it. **Let us know why you want to study cancer over the summer and what you hope to learn.**

19. What science courses (include honors and AP) have you taken? Let us know which were ^{*} your favorite(s).

20. Have you ever worked on a scientific research project or had past science-oriented experiences? If so, explain. *

21. Do you have any special scientific or medical interest? If so, explain. *

22. Special Interests or hobbies?

23. Please describe any conflicts you may have this summer that may interfere with summer research in June or July. Include planned family vacations or school activities. *

End of Application

Please make sure all sections are fully completed.