Preface to Bates is an overnight program designed to acquaint multicultural and first-generation-to-college high school juniors with the process of applying to selective colleges like Bates. Selected visitors attend classes, student panels and workshops regarding admission and financial aid. To be considered, students must submit an application, transcript and teacher or counselor recommendation. Selected students must be U.S. citizens or legal permanent residents.

Preface to Bates participants experience activities and programs designed to acquaint them with the College’s academic and co-curricular offerings. These outstanding students are provided with complimentary meals and residence hall housing as guests of the College. Bates makes transportation arrangements for attendees and offers travel scholarships to students needing assistance with transportation costs.

Preface Highlights
• An admission interview
• Visits to Bates classes
• A tour of the campus
• “Creating a quality application” workshop
• “How to get money for college” workshop
• Campus events — academic, athletic, cultural and co-curricular

Bates’ Commitment to Diversity
Founded in 1855, Bates College in Lewiston, Maine, has the distinction of being one of the oldest coeducational liberal arts colleges in the United States. It has always admitted students of all racial, ethnic and religious backgrounds. Bates continues to be committed to attracting a diverse student body.

How to Apply
Applications must be received by Feb. 25, 2011, for consideration. Please e-mail or fax the application form, transcript and teacher or counselor recommendation letter to:

Bates College Office of Admission
23 Campus Avenue
Lewiston, ME 04240-6098
Fax: 207-755-5900
E-mail: admissions@bates.edu
Phone: 207-786-6000

Bates values the diversity of persons, perspectives, and convictions. Critical thinking, rigorous analysis, and open discussion of a full range of ideas lie at the heart of the College’s mission as an institution of higher learning. The College seeks to encourage inquiry and reasoned dialogue in a climate of mutual respect. Bates does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national or ethnic origin, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression, marital or parental status, age, or disability, in the recruitment and admission of its students, in the administration of its educational policies and programs, or in the recruitment and employment of its faculty and staff.
APPLICATION

Name ____________________________________________
Address ___________________________________________
City / State / Zip __________________________________
Home phone ( )________________________ Cell phone ( )
E-mail address ____________________________________
Gender M/F__________________________Date of birth _________
Ethnicity (optional) _______________________________

Did either parent graduate from a four-year college/university? □ Yes □ No
□ U.S. citizen □ U.S. permanent resident (citizen of)________________________ □ Non-U.S. citizen
High school ___________________________________________
Date of graduation _______________________________
High school telephone number ( )________________________
Guidance counselor _______________________________
Class rank_________________out of_________________ GPA __________________________
(Please approximate if necessary)
Parent(s) name(s) ______________________________________
Parent(s) e-mail ______________________________________
Parent(s) daytime telephone number ( )________________________
Please list your junior year courses _________________________________
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Are you involved in any precollegiate or special academic programs (such as Upward Bound, ABC, etc.)?
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Additional information on reverse.
Please list any academic awards or achievements. Please add sheets if necessary.
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Please list your extracurricular achievements, positions held or honors won (include sports, the arts, community service, student government, etc.). Please add sheets if necessary.
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Have you been to Bates before?_________________________If so, when? ____________________________

Please answer the following supplemental questions.
☐ Check this box if you are applying for a travel scholarship. Your teacher or guidance counselor must also recommend you for a travel scholarship in his/her letter of recommendation. Teacher’s or counselor’s letter must accompany application.
☐ You are not applying for a travel scholarship.

Bates College will provide housing and food for all visitors attending Preface.
First and second choice of departure airport:
1) _________________________________________________________________________________
2) _________________________________________________________________________________
Any special requirements ________________________________________________________________

We ask that you submit the following:
☐ Application form
☐ Official copy of high school transcript
☐ Recommendation from teacher or guidance counselor
☐ Parent signature (authorization to attend)

☐ Guidance counselor signature (endorsing travel scholarship)

☐ Student signature (all materials are complete and true)

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