PEEP Frequently Asked Questions

- **What is the Penn Early Exploration Program (PEEP)?**
  The Penn Early Exploration Program is an overnight event held on the University of Pennsylvania campus to allow high school seniors who are involved with our partner community-based organizations, or who are members of historically underrepresented populations, to connect with one another and get a sense of the academic, cultural, community, and social Penn experience. The program also offers participants the opportunity to learn how to be stronger college applicants in general.

- **Why should I attend PEEP?**
  PEEP offers a special chance to preview student life at Penn. The days will be filled with academic, cultural, and social programming designed to provide a more intimate glimpse into undergraduate life as a Quaker.

- **What is the schedule?**
  
  **Day 1 – SUNDAY**
  12-5:00pm: Arrival & registration
  Evening: Welcome activities, dinner, starlight bus tour of Philadelphia, social events
  
  **Day 2 – MONDAY**
  All day: Academic, college application prep, social, and cultural events
  
  **Day 3 – TUESDAY**
  Morning: Academic, college application prep events
  Early afternoon: Farewell luncheon
  1:30pm: Check-out and Departure

- **I really want to come to the Penn Early Exploration Program, but can’t afford the travel expense. Are funds available to cover those costs?**
  All students coming from outside of Philadelphia for PEEP will have airplane, train, or bus travel costs sponsored by Penn. ALL students attending PEEP will have room and board covered as part of the program.

- **Who is invited to apply to the Penn Early Exploration Program?**
  Select high school seniors from historically underrepresented US populations, and those actively involved with our partner community-based organizations (College Horizons, College track, KIPP, National Hispanic Institute, QuestBridge, Philadelphia Futures, Say Yes to Education, etc.), were invited to apply. Since students are fully sponsored to attend, the selection process will be competitive, and all PEEP applications will be reviewed by a committee.

- **I did not receive a formal invitation to attend the Penn Early Exploration Program but am very interested in the program. May I apply?**
  We appreciate your interest in the Penn Early Exploration Program. If you are interested in attending PEEP but did not receive an invitation, please apply.

- **I am unable to attend the Penn Early Exploration Program. Can I come to campus another time?**
  Absolutely! As a prospective student, you are always welcome to visit campus and join in on an information session and tour.

- **Does PEEP attendance influence admission to Penn?**
  Although the information presented during PEEP would give you more insight into the admissions process, attendance would not have a bearing on your admissions decision, should you decide to apply.
- For the overnight component of the Penn Early Exploration Program, do students stay in College Houses with current Penn undergraduates?

Yes, undergraduate students residing in our College Houses across campus volunteer to host prospective students participating in the Penn Early Exploration Program. Please note that accommodations in the College Houses are only for the student admitted to PEEP; no guests can be accommodated in the College Houses.

- Would I learn more about my undergraduate school and program of interest at PEEP? Is there an opportunity to visit classes?

The Penn Early Exploration Program has been designed to help you explore your desired field of study, to meet faculty and staff, and to learn more about the curriculum, research opportunities, and degree requirements for each undergraduate school. The schedule includes the chance to visit classes in session with current Penn students.

- If I have questions or need assistance before or during the Penn Early Exploration Program, what’s the best way to reach Penn?

We did our best to anticipate many of the questions you might have. If you have questions or require additional assistance, please reach out to us at admpeep@admissions.upenn.edu.