

ExxonMobil Bernard Harris Math and Science Scholarships



**2014
Application
and
Guidelines**



ExxonMobil



Scholarships awarded in June 2014

For questions, please visit www.cgcs.org or call 202.393.2427

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2014 Application Guidelines

COUNCIL OF THE GREAT CITY SCHOOLS

Member School Districts

Albuquerque
Anchorage
Atlanta
Austin
Baltimore
Birmingham
Boston
Bridgeport
Broward County
Buffalo
Charleston
Charlotte-Mecklenburg
Chicago
Cincinnati
Clark County
Cleveland
Columbus
Dallas
Dayton
Denver
Des Moines
Detroit
District of Columbia
Duval County
East Baton Rouge
Fort Worth
Fresno
Guilford
Hillsborough
Houston
Indianapolis
Jackson
Jefferson County
Kansas City
Little Rock
Long Beach
Los Angeles
Metropolitan Nashville
Miami-Dade County
Milwaukee
Minneapolis
New Orleans
New York City
Newark
Norfolk
Oakland
Oklahoma City
Omaha
Orange County
Palm Beach County
Philadelphia
Pittsburgh
Portland
Providence
Richmond
Rochester
Sacramento
San Diego
San Francisco
Santa Ana
Seattle
Shelby County (Memphis)
St. Louis
St. Paul
Toledo
Wichita

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

ExxonMobil and Dr. Bernard Harris strongly believe that education is key to progress, development and economic growth in our country. Together, they have developed a partnership to increase awareness about the need for more math and science graduates, especially among underrepresented populations. For the fifth year, this scholarship is part of their efforts to support students who plan to pursue math- and science-related degrees.

Four scholarships for two boys and two girls, with a value of \$5,000 each, will be awarded in June 2014 to two Black and two Hispanic students currently completing their senior year of high school in a member district of the Council of the Great City Schools (see list of member districts on left). Applicants must be accepted for full-time enrollment at a four-year college or university in the next academic year, and pursuing a degree in Science, Technology, Engineering or Mathematics (STEM).

The scholarships, named in recognition of Dr. Bernard A. Harris, Jr., serve underrepresented students pursuing careers in the fields of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics. As a former astronaut, physician and businessman, Dr. Harris is an outstanding role model dedicated to serving as a mentor to the scholarship recipients.

Applications will be reviewed by a committee appointed by the Council of the Great City Schools. Recipients will be selected by Dr. Harris and notified in June. The scholarship will be paid to the university of the recipient's choice and can be applied to tuition and related expenses during the 2014-2015 academic year.

PROGRAM GUIDELINES

To apply for the 2014 scholarship, this application must be postmarked on or before April 7, 2014, and should include evidence of the applicant's academic achievement in high school, leadership skills or community service in the area of Science, Technology, Engineering or Mathematics and the applicant's commitment to pursue a career in a STEM field. To be eligible for the scholarship, the applicant must have a minimum 3.0 unweighted grade point average and have been accepted as a full-time student at a four-year institution of higher education.

No person may receive more than one award administered by the Council of the Great City Schools in the same academic year. Employees or immediate family members of employees of ExxonMobil, The Harris Foundation or the Council of the Great City Schools are not eligible to apply for these scholarships.

***All applicants must attend a public school in a Council of the Great City Schools district. Go to: <http://www.cgcs.org/domain/57> to find the list of CGCS districts.**

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Name _____ E-mail _____

Address _____ City _____

State _____ Zip _____ Home Phone _____

School _____ CGCS Member School District _____

Gender: Male Female Race: Black Hispanic

Signature _____ Date _____

Parent/Guardian Printed Name _____ Date _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

College Acceptances: (Attach copies of acceptance letters; Indicate, with asterisk, the college you have chosen to attend)

College/University Name	City, State

Overall Unweighted GPA (Must be at least 3.0) _____ Weighted GPA _____ Class Rank _____

SAT and/or ACT Scores:

SAT:	Overall <small>(reading and math scores combined must be over 1000)</small>		Math		Reading		Writing			
ACT:	Composite <small>(score must be 21 or better)</small>		Math		Reading		Science		English	

Courses Taken: Only list Science, Technology, Engineering and Math courses taken and grades received in those courses. Attach additional page of course list if necessary.

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Leadership Skills and Extracurricular Activities:	Please list any extracurricular activities, community service or other experience that demonstrates commitment to pursuing a career in a STEM field.

Additional requirements:

- Official high school transcript
- A photograph of yourself for publication
- Three Letters of Recommendation from a high school principal, teacher, club sponsor or counselor on official letterhead
- Two one-page essays must be typed, single-sided, double-spaced, and in Times New Roman 12-point-font on the topics below:
 1. Why have you chosen to pursue a career in a STEM field and how do you see yourself contributing in that field?
 2. Explain how you have demonstrated leadership both in and out of school.

Application Submission Checklist:

Before submitting your application, complete the following checklist to ensure that you have completed all eligibility requirements to be considered for this scholarship.

- Completed application
- Official high school transcript
- A photograph of yourself for publication
- College acceptance letters
- Three letters of recommendation
- Two one-page essays

****Incomplete applications will not be considered.***

To submit your complete application, please send all items listed above to:

Council of the Great City Schools
Attn: ExxonMobil Bernard Harris Math and Science Scholarship
1301 Pennsylvania Ave. NW STE 702
Washington, DC 20004

2014 scholarship applications **must be postmarked by April 7, 2014*

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2014 Partners



ExxonMobil Foundation is the primary philanthropic arm of the Exxon Mobil Corporation in the United States. The Foundation and the Corporation engage in a range of philanthropic activities that advance education, health and science in the communities where

ExxonMobil has significant operations. In the United States, ExxonMobil supports initiatives to improve math and science education at the K-12 and higher education levels.

In 2012, together with its employees and retirees, Exxon Mobil Corporation (NYSE:XOM), its divisions and affiliates, and ExxonMobil Foundation provided \$256 million in contributions worldwide, of which \$116 million was dedicated to education. Additional information on ExxonMobil's community partnerships and contributions programs is available at www.exxonmobil.com/community.



Founded in 1998, The Harris Foundation is a 501 (c) (3), non-profit organization based in Houston, Texas, whose overall mission is to invest in community-based initiatives to support education, health and wealth. The Foundation supports programs that empower individuals, in particular minorities and economically and/or socially

disadvantaged, to recognize their potential and pursue their dreams. The education mission of The Harris Foundation is to enable youth to develop and achieve their full potential through the support of social, recreational, and educational programs. The Harris Foundation believes that students can be prepared now for the careers of the future through a structured education program and the use of positive role models. More than 15,000 students annually participate and benefit from THF programs. www.theharrisfoundation.org



The Council of the Great City Schools is the only national organization exclusively representing the needs of urban public schools, and is based in Washington, D.C. Composed of 66 large city school districts, its mission is to promote the cause of urban schools and to advocate for inner-city students through legislation, research and media relations. www.cgcs.org
