ExxonMobil Bernard Harris Math and Science Scholarships

Scholarships awarded in June 2013
For questions, please visit www.cgcs.org or call 202.393.2427
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2013 Application Guidelines

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 fourth 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 2013 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 2013-2014 academic year.

PROGRAM GUIDELINES

To apply for the 2013 scholarship, this application must be postmarked on or before April 2, 2013, 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)

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

SAT and/or ACT Scores:

SAT: Overall (reading and math scores combined must be over 1000) Math Reading Writing

SAT: Math Reading Writing

ACT: Composite (score must be 21 or better) Math Reading Science English

ACT: 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.

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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

*2013 scholarship applications must be postmarked by April 2, 2013
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2013 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.

Globally, ExxonMobil provides funding to improve basic education, promote women as catalysts for economic development, and combat malaria and other infectious diseases in developing countries. In 2011, together with its employees and retirees, Exxon Mobil Corporation (NYSE:XOM), its divisions and affiliates, and ExxonMobil Foundation provided $278 million in contributions worldwide, of which $120 million was dedicated to education. Additional information on ExxonMobil’s community partnerships and contributions programs is available at [www.exxonmobil.com/community](http://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](http://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 67 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](http://www.cgcs.org)