

# MMC Scholarship

The Metropolitan Mathematics Club of Chicago is offering a \$2,000 scholarship for a high school senior who will pursue a career in the teaching of mathematics. In addition, up to two Filliman Scholarships may be awarded for the same amount (funded by a gift from the Filliman estate). The selected students, their parents and their sponsoring teachers will be invited to the May 5th MMC Dinner meeting at which time the scholarship recipients will be honored.

A selection committee of MMC members appointed by the Board of Directors will determine the scholarship awards. To be eligible, an applicant must be sponsored by a member of the MMC, submit the application, have an official transcript sent, request a letter of recommendation from a mathematics teacher, and respond to the prompts in point E below such that all of the materials are received by **March 30, 2018**. The committee will evaluate applications, and will make a recommendation to the Board of Directors as to the awarding of the scholarship.

The guidelines used for selection shall be:

- A. Demonstration of overall academic scholarship with an inclusion of at least eight semesters of college preparatory mathematics. (A minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.0, where A = 4.)
- B. A statement of the intention to pursue a career in mathematics teaching.
- C. Indication of participation in extra-curricular activities, especially those that may have a positive influence on a teaching career.
- D. A letter of recommendation from a math teacher who is familiar with the applicant's academic performance and his or her potential as a mathematics teacher.
- E. A short response from the candidate (1-2 paragraphs) to each of the following prompts.
  - a. What qualities do you possess that will help you in a teaching career?
  - b. Describe a teacher who has had an impact on your education.
  - c. Was there a time when you struggled with a concept in a math (or other) class? What did you do?
  - d. What was your favorite math class? Why?
  - e. Describe your favorite math problem. What makes it so great?
  - f. What excites you about mathematics?
  - g. Why do you want to teach mathematics? *This response may be longer than the others if necessary*

**In addition to the form on the next page, applicants must also send:**

1. A letter of recommendation from a mathematics teacher. *Preferably not sent through the applicant\**
2. A current transcript for seven semesters of high school.\*
3. Responses to the prompts in point E above.

*\*Letters of recommendation and transcripts may be sent by separate mail.*

**Application for the MMC and Filliman Scholarships**

*Application Deadline: Received by March 30, 2018*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Email: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_

School Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ School Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsoring Teacher (must be a member of MMC): \_\_\_\_\_

*Please complete the following:*

Overall Grade Point Average (A=4, B=3, C=2, D=1, F=0): \_\_\_\_\_

Mathematics Courses and Grade Taken

Mathematics Course Grade Received

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Extracurricular Activities (inside or outside of school): \_\_\_\_\_

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I (*print your name*) \_\_\_\_\_ intend to pursue a career in Mathematics education.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

**Please send all information by 3/30/18 to:**

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