

Do you have a student who is interested in becoming a math teacher?

MMC Scholarship for High School Seniors

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 10th 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 8, 2019. 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. The teacher must be an MMC member.
- 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 8, 2019

Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

School: _____

School Address: _____

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

Extracurricular Activities (inside or outside of school): _____

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

Signed _____

Please send all information by 3/08/19 to:

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