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## **Scholarship Application**

### D.C. Opportunity Scholarship Program 201X-1X

Thank you for your interest in the D.C. Opportunity Scholarship Program (OSP). This form should be filled out by the parent or guardian who lives with the child(ren) applying for a scholarship.

Description of Opportunity Scholarship Program and signed agreement to participate

Information needed to determine eligibility for D.C. Opportunity Scholarship Program 1. Applicant Name(s) List the name of parent/guardian and <u>all children</u> applying for a D.C. Opportunity Scholarship. Parent/Guardian (You) Middle Last Child #1 First Middle Last Child #2 Middle Last Child #3 First Middle Last Child #4 First Middle Last 2. Have you ever applied before to the OSP for any of your child(ren)?

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# Part A: Description of OSP & Agreement to Participate

### 1. Description of the D.C. Opportunity Scholarship Program and Evaluation

The OSP provides scholarships to enable low-income D.C. elementary and secondary students to attend private schools.

- Receiving a scholarship will not interfere in any way with any other public assistance your family may receive.
   The amount of the scholarship will not be treated as income of the child or their parent/guardian for purposes of Federal tax laws or for determining eligibility for any other federal program.
- Scholarships may only be used at a school participating in the D.C. Opportunity Scholarship Program. The Trust will provide you with a list of participating schools.
- If there are more applicants than slots in schools or available funds, the law requires that scholarships will be given out through a lottery. The lottery will give priority to eligible students who are attending an elementary school or secondary school identified for improvement, corrective action, or restructuring;
- Only eligible families with <u>completed</u> applications will be included in the lottery. A completed application is one that includes: (1) the application form, (2) the necessary documentation proving eligibility, and (3) verification that your child participated in the pre-lottery reading and math tests that are required for the evaluation. If your application is determined to be incomplete (missing any of those documents) we will contact you and give you a limited time in which to complete your application. If you do not complete your application in time, we will not be able to include you in the lottery. The determination of whether or not your application is complete is not made when you submit it. The determination of eligibility and if your application is complete is made by the DC Children and Youth Investment Trust Corporation (Trust) once we have had time to review your submission in detail.
- If your child receives a scholarship, you are responsible for applying to the schools that you are interested in. Each school has its own application process, and you must contact participating schools directly to apply.
- Schools that you apply to will inform you whether or not your child is **admissible**. We will ask you to list your top 3 choices of schools. We will make every effort to place each child in his or her first choice school. But if there are more children that have requested a particular grade in a particular school, we will hold a lottery to determine which children will get those spaces. Your child is not PLACED in a school, and no payment can be made with their scholarship, until the Trust places them.
- While application to the Program is voluntary, all applicants must participate in the Evaluation, whether or not they receive a scholarship. The Evaluation is important because it lets Congress measure the success of the Program has been. As part of the Evaluation, applicants must agree to:
  - O Annual testing of your child in reading and math, and surveys of children in grades 4 and above;
  - O Parent surveys
  - O Collection of files and records from your child's school.
- If you have any questions about the application or your eligibility for the Program, please call the DC Children and Youth Investment Trust Corporation (Trust) at 1-888-DC-YOUTH.

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#### 2. Agreement to Participate

When the U.S. Congress created the D.C. Opportunity Scholarship Program, it established rules for who is eligible to apply and how those applications should be handled. Congress also required that an evaluation be conducted to study the Program and students' experiences before, during, and after being part of the Program. This form is your agreement that you understand these important requirements for the Program.

#### In submitting this application, I agree to the following for each child named below:

- To be eligible for participation in the D.C. Opportunity Scholarship Program, I must live in the District of Columbia and my annual household income must be below certain specified amounts. I certify that I am now a resident of the District of Columbia and will be for the 2011-12 school year.
- I understand that, if eligible, my child's name will be placed in a lottery for a scholarship. I also understand my child(ren) may or may not receive a scholarship under this Program.
- I understand that the Trust must keep copies of all documents submitted during the application process to ensure that families are eligible. The Trust will keep this data strictly confidential.
- I understand that the Trust will have access to my child's report cards while my child is participating in this program. This information will be held strictly confidential and will not be shared with anyone but designated Trust staff.
- I understand that my child and I are required to participate in all aspects of the evaluation, including the annual testing of my child, filling out annual surveys, and allowing records to be collected from my child's school. If my child and I do not participate in these evaluation activities, my child will not be eligible for a scholarship in any year.
- I consent to the disclosure of information about my child(ren) and me contained in this application to the U.S. Department of Education and its contractor(s) for the purposes of evaluating this program. I understand that the Department and its contractors will not release to anyone or any organization personally identifiable information in this application, except as required by law.

Signature	Parent/Guard	ian Name (Print)	Date
3. How did you hear abou	it the D.C. Opport	tunity Scholarship P	rogram?
Family Member or Frience Letter/Flyer from the Tru School Community Organization Radio	sst 🔲	Applied to OSP Before Newspaper Article, Ad, o Website Trust Representative Other	or Metro
4. What language is spoke	en most often in y	our home?	
English Amharic		Spanish Hindi/Urdu	

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☐ Vietnamese	e	Other		
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<ul><li>Submit additional</li><li>You will receive a</li></ul>	of this form – <b>do not leave an</b> I documents in person at Trus I letter in the mail with the sta I business days for processing	t office, fax (202.478.0		admin@cyitc.org
-	nd Contact Information formation for applying parent			
Parent/Guardian Name ( Physical Address (No PO Boxes)	· · · · -			
City	Sta	te Zip	Code	
Home Phone		Work Phone		
Cell Phone		Email		
2. How long ha	ve you lived at your cu	rrent address?	# of Years	# of Months
3. Alternate Cor  Do not list yourse	ntacts If as a contact. Common exan	nples of contacts are re	elatives and neighb	<b>1.</b> ors.
Contact Person 1	Name			
Relationship to You _		Home Phone		
Work Phone _		Cell Phone		
Contact Person 2	Name			
Relationship to You _		Home Phone		
Work Phone		Cell Phone		

**Student Contact** 

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Cell Phone	 Email		
4. How many people live in your residence?	You	Other Adults (18+)	Children
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5. What is your monthly rent or mortgag	e?		
Rent \$ Mortgage	e \$	Other	
a. Who pays your monthly rent or mortgage? (check	all that apply)		
Myself (OSP Parent/Guardian)  DCHA/HCVP/HUD  Spouse or other adult (living with you)	ר	nt organization ve (does not resid	
b. Check if any of the following apply:			
Live with friend or relative (other than minor	Ciliulett)	ive with re	oommate or
6. In the past 12 months, did your family I	receive any DC		assistance?
Public assistance payments, welfare benefits (ex. TANF, GC	)	Yes	No
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program/SNAP (formerly Food Stamps)		Yes	l No
Medical Assistance (i.e. Medicaid)		Yes	l No
7. Complete the following statement			
I certify that I, am the current guardian of the child(ren) li		Parent/Guardia	n Name),
Child(ren) Name(s) – 17 and Younger List all children (whether or not you are applying for them)	DOB (mm/dd/yy	\/\/\)	er Child/Ward C (check box)
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9 Information f	or Parent/Guardian ar	ad Additional Adult(s)		
Your financial hou	usehold includes people who Fill the table below for all a	financially contribute to your		
	You	Adult 2	Adult 3	
Name of Adult				
Social Security Number				
Date of Birth (m/d/yy)				
Gender	☐ Male ☐ Female	☐ Male ☐ Female	☐ Male ☐ Female	
Relationship to You	Self	□ Spouse □ Parent/Step-Parent □ Boyfriend/Girlfriend □ Son/Daughter (18+) □ Grandparent □ Other:	□ Spouse □ Parent/Step-Parent □ Boyfriend/Girlfriend □ Son/Daughter (18+) □ Grandparent □ Other:	
What is the adult's race?	<ul> <li>□ White</li> <li>□ Black, African-American</li> <li>□ American Indian or Alaskan Native</li> <li>□ Asian</li> <li>□ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>□ White</li> <li>□ Black, African-American</li> <li>□ American Indian or Alaskan Native</li> <li>□ Asian</li> <li>□ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>□ White</li> <li>□ Black, African-American</li> <li>□ American Indian or Alaskan Native</li> <li>□ Asian</li> <li>□ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander</li> </ul>	
Is the adult Hispanic/Latino(a)?	☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No	
Marital status	☐ Single, never married ☐ Married, Date: ☐ Widowed, Date: ☐ Divorced, Date: ☐ Separated, Date:	☐ Single, never married ☐ Married, Date: ☐ Widowed, Date: ☐ Divorced, Date: ☐ Separated, Date:	☐ Single, never married ☐ Married, Date: ☐ Widowed, Date: ☐ Divorced, Date: ☐ Separated, Date:	
Does the adult currently have a job?	Yes, full-time job (35 hr+) Yes, part-time job	☐ Yes, full-time job (35 hr+)☐ Yes, part-time job	Yes, full-time job (35 hr+) Yes, part-time job	

☐ Not currently working

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Your financial hou	ısehold i	ncludes people who j	inand	dditional Adult(s) cially contribute to your	hoı	isehold expenses
and/or vice versa.	Fill the	table below for all a	dults	(18+) in your financial h	ous	
		You		Adult 2		Adult 3
Name of Adult						
Since beginning work as an adult, about how many years and months has the adult worked?		years, and months		years, and months		years, and months
What is the adult's highest level of education?	dip GEI Hig Sor tra AAA fro Bac Ma hig	h school diploma ne college or ining, no degree 'AS or Certificate m training program chelor's degree ster's degree or her n't know		Less than high school diploma GED High school diploma Some college or training, no degree AA/AS or Certificate from training program Bachelor's degree Master's degree or higher Don't know	_ _	diploma GED High school diploma Some college or training, no degree AA/AS or Certificate from training program Bachelor's degree Master's degree or higher Don't know
Your financial hou	ısehold i	ncludes people who t	inand	ian and Additional cially contribute to your (18+) in your financial h	hou	sehold expenses
Income Sources (20	10)	You		Adult 2		Adult 3
No Income received						
Filed federal tax return						
If you DID NOT file tax return wages, salaries, tips	n: total	\$	_			
Social Security Income, pens retirement, veterans' benefi						
Disability benefits (include S dependents)	SI for					
Public assistance payments, welfare benefits (ex. TANF, 0	GC)					
Child support or alimony pay	/ments					
Gifts from family/friends						
Other income:						

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10. Student Information  Complete section below for all students applying for the OSP.				
	Student 1	Student 2	Student 3	
Name of Student				
Social Security Number				
Date of Birth (m/d/yy)	//	/		
Gender	☐ Male ☐ Female	☐ Male ☐ Female	☐ Male ☐ Female	
Relationship to You	Son/Daughter Foster Child Grandchild Niece/Nephew Other:	□ Son/Daughter □ Foster Child □ Grandchild □ Niece/Nephew □ Other:	□ Son/Daughter □ Foster Child □ Grandchild □ Niece/Nephew □ Other:	
What is the studen <b>{'gu ar</b> race?	☐ White ☐ Black, African- American ☐ Brian Indian official ☐ Alaskan Native ☐ Asian ☐ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	☐ White ☐ Black, African-American ☐ American Indian or ☐ documentation with 2010 a ☐ Asian ☐ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	☐ White ☐ Black, African-American ☐ American Indian or annual asker to the second sec	
Is the student Hispanic/Latino (a)?	☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No	
Does the student have any of the following challenges? (Will not affect their chances of receiving a scholarship.)  Grade in Current School (2010-11)	□ N/A □ Physical disability □ Learning disability □ Problems □ Understanding English	<ul> <li>N/A</li> <li>Physical disability</li> <li>Learning disability</li> <li>Problems understanding English</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>N/A</li> <li>Physical disability</li> <li>Learning disability</li> <li>Problems understanding</li> <li>English</li> </ul>	
Current School Name (2010-11)				

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Current School Type (2010-11)	□ Neighborhood (assigned) public school □ Charter school (public)Other public school (e.g., magnet schools) □ Private school	<ul> <li>Neighborhood         (assigned) public school</li> <li>Charter school         (public)Other public         school (e.g., magnet         schools)</li> <li>Private school</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>□ Neighborhood (assigned) public school</li> <li>□ Charter school (public)Other public school (e.g., magnet schools)</li> <li>□ Private school</li> </ul>			
	ormation (Continued) n below for all students appl	lying for the OSP.				
	Student 1	Student 2	Student 3			
Name of Student						
Does the student have any of the following challenges? (Will not affect their chances of receiving a scholarship.)	<ul> <li>N/A</li> <li>Physical disability</li> <li>Learning disability</li> <li>Problems         understanding English</li> <li>Individualized         Education Plan (IEP)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>□ N/A</li> <li>□ Physical disability</li> <li>□ Learning disability</li> <li>□ Problems understanding English</li> <li>□ Individualized Education Plan (IEP)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>□ N/A</li> <li>□ Physical disability</li> <li>□ Learning disability</li> <li>□ Problems understanding English</li> <li>□ Individualized Education Plan (IEP)</li> </ul>			
If your child is awarded a scholarship, do you know which school(s) you would like to apply for Fall '11?	No Ves (list school names)	No Yes (list school names)	No Yes (list school names) ————————————————————————————————————			

Why are you applying to the D.C. Opportunity Scholarship Program?

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Using the list of children in your answer to Section 10, please fill out 11-15 out for <u>each</u> child listed. A separate must be filled out on behalf of each child who is applying for the scholarship.

11. How satisfied are you with the following aspects of \_\_\_\_\_ (CHILD'S NAME) current school?

		Very Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Satisfied	Very Satisfied
		Dissatisfica	Dissatisfica	Jatisficu	Jatisticu
a.	Location of school				
b.	School safety				
c.	Class sizes				
d.	School facilities				
e.	Respect between teachers and students				
f.	How much teachers inform parents of				
	students' progress				
g.	How much students can observe religious				
	traditions				
h.	Parental involvement in the school				
i.	Discipline				
j.	Academic quality				
k.	Racial mix of students				
I.	Services for students with special needs				

12.	Wha	at overall grade would you give this child's current school? (Check one box.)
	•	Every (A)
	a.	Excellent (A)
	b.	Good (B)
	c.	Fair (C)
	d.	Unsatisfactory (D)

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13. What will be the most important considerations in your choice of schools? Select up to three items and mark your top priority in column 1, your second priority in column 2, and your third priority in column 3.

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		First Priority	Second Priority	Third Priority
		(Column 1)	(Column 2)	(Column 3)
		(mark only one)	(mark only one)	(mark only one)
a.	Location of school			
b.	School safety			
c.	Class sizes			
d.	School facilities			
e.	Respect between students and teachers			
f.	How much teachers inform parents of students' progress	П		
g.	How much students can observe religious	_	_	_
	traditions			
h.	Parental involvement in the schools			
i.	Discipline			
j.	Academic quality			
k.	Racial mix of students			
l.	Services for students with special needs			

	Approximately how much homework is assigned to this child on an average day? (Check one box.)					
	a. 0 - 30 min					
	b. 30 min 1 hour					
	c. 1 - 1½ hours					
	d. 1½ - 2 hours					
	e. 2 - 2½ hours f. More than 2½ hours					
	g. Don't know					
15.	In the past MONTH, how often did you	do the follo	owing?			
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				2000	1 or E	6 or
		Never	Once	2 or 3 Times	4 or 5 Times	More Times
a. H	lelp this child with his or her homework					
	lelp this child with reading or math that					
V	vas not part of his or her homework					
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	alk with this child about his or her					
c. T	alk with this child about his or her xperiences in school					
c. T		_ _				

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17. Why are	you applying to the DC O	pportunity Scholarship Program for this child?	
11. Ce	ertification Signature	·	
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	Signature	 Parent/Guardian Name (Print)	 Date