

TEAM City Scholars® Executive Council Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

What is the TEAM City Scholars® Executive Council?

TEAM City Scholars® Executive Council is a powerful network of executive volunteers who share time, talent and treasure to help nonprofit CEOs (distinguished as City Scholars® Foundation Fellows) build skills, confidence and connections to grow education nonprofits from survival to success to significance.

What do TEAM City Scholars® Executive Council members enjoy most?

- Being part of a community of values-driven changemakers
- Learning about innovative strategies and solutions to education challenges
- Supporting the leadership and capacity building of education nonprofits and their CEOs
- Maximizing the impact of their financial contributions to help thousands of low-income youth
- Networking with and learning from other high-impact corporate and community leaders

Who currently serves on the TEAM City Scholars® Executive Council?

Our TEAM City Scholars® Executive Council brings executives, entrepreneurs, educators and community leaders together as a community of changemakers and engaged philanthropists. You can view our current TEAM City Scholars® Executive Council [here](#).

What is the commitment?

- Personal financial contribution of \$1,000 or more to support critical program and operating expenses ensuring that our Fellowship for Education continues to be tuition-free.
- Participation in the following events held in Downtown Los Angeles:
 - Fellowship for Education Kick-Off Luncheon (January)
 - TEAM City Scholars® Leadership Summit (May)
 - One or more half-day Fellowship for Education Roundtables (February - September).

More details can be found in the TEAM City Scholars® Executive Council Leadership Pledge (sample attached).

What is involved in the selection process?

Step 1: Tell us about yourself

- Complete a brief application at www.cityscholars.org/join-our-team that will help us get to know you, your professional and volunteer engagement and what interests you most about the TEAM City Scholars® Executive Council opportunity.
- Upon receiving your application, a member of our team will reach out to you to discuss the Executive Council opportunity in more detail.

Step 2: Get to know us

- Meet with our President & CEO, Kelli Ann Hogan.
- Join us for lunch at one of our upcoming Fellowship for Education Roundtables (held February – September) where you will meet members of our TEAM and get to see our Fellowship for Education community in action.
- Meet with our Board Chair, Carl Engle (Partner, Strategy & Operations – Deloitte).

Step 3: Formal invitation to join TEAM City Scholars® Executive Council

- Upon the recommendation of the Board, selected applicants will be formally invited to join the Executive Council.
- To accept, applicants must complete and submit the TEAM City Scholars® Executive Council Leadership Pledge.

About City Scholars® Foundation

As a tax-exempt, for purpose corporation founded in 1993, City Scholars® Foundation helps education nonprofits thrive to give thousands of low-income youth a better chance to learn and achieve against the odds. Through our City Scholars® Fellowship for Education, a high-impact, tuition-free leadership and capacity building institute, we bring corporate and community leaders together to accelerate the impact of education nonprofits collectively serving over 50,000 low-income youth each year throughout Los Angeles County and the surrounding region.

Learn more at www.cityscholars.org

Have questions? Contact us at team@cityscholars.org or (213) 627-1792.

Attached:

[SAMPLE Executive Council Leadership Pledge](#)



TEAM City Scholars® - Executive Council 2023 Leadership Pledge - SAMPLE

As a TEAM City Scholars® Executive Council member, I, _____ am excited to share my **time, talent and treasure** to support City Scholars® Foundation's commitment to helping education nonprofits thrive and thousands of low-income youth, who depend upon these critical organizations, have a better chance to learn and achieve against the odds. Count on me to:

- ❖ **Celebrate and encourage City Scholars® Foundation Fellows** and their Board Chairs at our City Scholars® Fellowship for Education 2023 Kick-Off Luncheon.

Wednesday, January 25, 2023 @ 12:00 – 2:00 p.m., Downtown Los Angeles*

- ❖ **Support one or more monthly City Scholars® Fellowship for Education Roundtables**, as a Small Group or CEO ESSENTIALS® Spotlight Facilitator.

Our 2023 Fellowship for Education Roundtables* will be held from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. on February 22, March 29, April 26, May 24, June 28, July 26, August 23 and September 20.

- ❖ **Help achieve the Foundation's Annual Campaign Goal of \$350,000** by (*check all that apply*):
 - Advocating for financial and/or in-kind sponsorship from my employer and/or personal network
 - Securing a matching gift contribution from my company for my personal 2023 Executive Council Leadership Pledge of \$1,000 or more
 - Nominating a prospective TEAM City Scholars® Executive Council Member (Engaged Donor)
 - Mobilizing support through social media (i.e., Facebook "Birthday" Fundraiser, Designate City Scholars® Foundation when you shop with Smile.Amazon.com, etc.)
- ❖ **Network, be inspired and learn how to best advocate for the Foundation and our Fellowship for Education at our annual:**

TEAM City Scholars® Leadership Summit
Friday, May 5, 2023 @ 12:00 – 2:00 p.m., Downtown Los Angeles

COMPLETE Executive Council Leadership Pledge on Page 2.

*Events will continue to be held in-person assuming it is safe to do so following all CDC COVID-19 safety protocols including requiring all participants to show proof of full vaccination. Otherwise, events will be hosted via Zoom.

I, _____, will also:

- Personally fulfill my 2023 Executive Council Leadership Pledge of \$1,000 or more to support our ANNUAL CAMPAIGN by October 31, 2023.

Count on my ANNUAL CAMPAIGN pledge of \$ _____ (REQUIRED)

- In addition to my 2023 Leadership Pledge for the Annual Campaign, I want to make a special pledge to help build our Endowment Fund. I understand that this additional pledge is also due by October 31, 2023.

Count on my additional ENDOWMENT FUND pledge of \$ _____ (ENCOURAGED)***

Count on my TOTAL Annual Campaign + Endowment Fund pledge of \$ _____

I will fulfill my pledge: MONTHLY (beginning ____/____) QUARTERLY ANNUALLY

I will fulfill my pledge by _____. (No later than October 31, 2023)

- Check enclosed in the amount of: \$ _____. (Payable to: City Scholars® Foundation)
- My company will match by contribution. Please contact me for more information.
- Wire Transfer**
- Stock Transfer**
- Donor Advised Fund**
- Credit card

Name on Credit Card: _____

Card Number: _____ CVC #: _____

Billing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Expiration Date: ____/____ Signature: _____

Count me in as a TEAM City Scholars® Executive Council member!

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Phone (cell): _____ (office): _____

Email (personal): _____ (work): _____

*Please select your preferred phone number and email for City Scholars® Foundation-related correspondence.
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**To fulfill your pledge via wire transfer, stock transfer or a gift from a donor advised fund, please contact the Foundation at 213-627-1792 or team@cityscholars.org