

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.

The Executive Council is the official pipeline to our Board of Directors. Potential board members must volunteer a minimum of one (preferably two) years on our Executive Council before they are eligible for nomination to serve on our Board.

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/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

City Scholars® Foundation's mission, as a tax-exempt, for-purpose corporation founded in 1993, is to help education nonprofits thrive to give thousands of low-income youth a better chance to learn and achieve against the odds.

We achieve our mission by sponsoring the City Scholars® Fellowship for Education, a collaborative, high-impact nonprofit leadership development and capacity building institute. Through our Fellowship for Education, we invest in and partner with highly-motivated nonprofit CEOs, distinguished as City Scholars® Foundation Fellows, to grow after-school, school-based and education-focused nonprofits from survival to success to significance.

Learn more at www.cityscholars.org

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

Attached:

[Sample Executive Council Leadership Pledge + 2023 Fellowship for Education Calendar](#)



City Scholars® FOUNDATION

Helping Education Nonprofits Thrive

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