



Student Application Form 2009
(Submit a separate form for each participant.)

Science Technology Engineering Middle School Summer Camp
June 14 – 26, 2009

Purpose: The ExxonMobil Bernard Harris Engineering Summer Camp is organized to provide activities, experiments, projects and field experiences to enrich 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students' mathematics, science, engineering & technology related skills.

Program: This is a two week academic, residential camp that emphasizes increasing students' math/science skills, introducing them to college life and stimulating their interest in science and engineering as a potential career path. Each day, the campers will attend classes that include problem solving, study, writing and communication skills incorporated with physics, chemistry, design concepts associated with engineering and field trips. Certified classroom teachers and university faculty will be teaching the classes.

Camp Locations: The camp will be held on the NIU, DeKalb campus. Housing will be provided in the NIU dorm.

Recruitment Area: Camp participants will be selected from the NIU partnering school districts.

Criteria:

1. Traditionally underserved and underrepresented populations.
2. Entering 6th, 7th, or 8th grade in the fall of 2009.
3. GPA of at least "B" overall in mathematics and science.
4. Score at the median to superior level in standardized mathematics and science tests.
5. Student must write a 250 word essay – "Why you are interested in attending the ExxonMobil Bernard Harris Summer Science Camp hosted by the College of Engineering and Engineering Technology at Northern Illinois University."
6. Student must be interested in mathematics and science.
7. Student must be recommended by mathematics and science teachers.

Application Process:

1. Complete the attached student application form.
2. Give the request for records to your child's school principal's office
3. Give a recommendation form to your child's current science teacher and current mathematics teacher.
4. Each camper's 250 word written essay should explain why the camper is interested in attending the ExxonMobil Bernard Harris Engineering Summer Camp at NIU.

The above requested documents are to be sent to College of Engineering and Engineering Technology (Associate Dean Office), 590 Garden Rd. EB #331, DeKalb, IL 60115-2899.

The Student Application Form, records, recommendations and the essay are due by the deadline date, April 20th, 2009. If all the requested documents have not been received by the deadline date, the selection committees WILL NOT review the application. Selection for the summer camp will be made on May 5, 2009. You will receive a written notification on the status of your application no later than May 12, 2009 via email or regular mail. If you have any questions, call the Associate Dean's Office at 815.753.1442 / 0745.



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First name _____ Last name _____ Middle name _____

Gender (check one): Female _____ Male: _____ Race/Ethnicity _____

Date of birth (month/date/year): _____ Adult T-Shirt Size: _____

Current Grade (2008-09) _____ School name _____

School District _____ Name of school student will be attending during the 2009-1010 academic year _____

Courses currently taking during the 2008-09 academic year:

Math _____ Science _____

Courses enrolled or plan to enroll for the 2009-10 academic year:

Math _____ Science _____

Current GPA (2008-09) _____ SAT Score: Math _____ Science _____

Parent/Guardian name(s) _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Day phone (____) _____ Evening phone (____) _____

Alternate phones (____) _____, (____) - _____

E-mail _____

Emergency Contacts: _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Day phone (____) _____ Evening phone (____) _____

Alternate phones (____) _____, (____) _____

E-mail _____

Student Written essay must be included along with this application. The essay needs to be typed or neatly handwritten. If typed use Arial or Times New Roman and a font size of 12 points. The essay should not exceed 250 words. The camper must tell the selection committee why he/she is interested in attending the ExxonMobil Bernard Harris Engineering Summer Camp at NIU, including details like what you hope to gain from this experience and how will it help you shape your future. The name, current grade level and school on the top of the essay are a must for every essay submitted.

- Yes No My child has permission to attend this camp.
- Yes No My child has permission to have photos taken for public relations purposes.
- Yes No The bearer of this letter has my permission, a parent or legal guardian, to act on my behalf in an emergency dealing with the health and welfare of my child, and to obtain emergency treatment for her by a licensed physician.

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

**Recommendation from Current Mathematic Teacher
For a Student applying for**

The ExxonMobil Bernard Harris Summer Science Camp (BHSSC) 2009

Name of Teacher _____

Directions to teacher:

The student who has given you this form is applying to attend the BHSSC this summer. You have taught this student, so you can tell if she/he is a good candidate for this two-week residential program. Please complete the chart below **and** write a letter of recommendation for this student. When you finish, put this form and letter of recommendation into an envelope and seal it, write you name across the sealed flap, so that your answers will be private. Please return the sealed envelope to the student **as soon as possible** or mail to College of Engineering and Engineering Technology (Associate Dean Office), 590 Garden Rd. EB #331, DeKalb, IL 60115-2899 to be received by the deadline date of May 5, 2009.

Name of student _____

Course taken with this teacher: Subject _____ Year 2008-2009

Please put an X in the appropriate column for each of the following statements:

	Very much	Often	Some -time	Never
1. This student was eager to learn.				
2. This student cared about other students.				
3. This student was late to class.				
4. This student skipped classes.				
5. This student turned in homework and projects on time.				
6. This student participated in class activities.				
7. The student participated in lab activities.				
8. This student participated in co-curricular activities (science fair, etc.)				
9. This student volunteered to help other students				
10. This student was an asset to the class.				

Circle the best answer to the following questions:

11. Would you like to teach this student in another class?

Yes, definitely

Maybe

Definitely Not

On the back of this sheet please write additional comments about the student. This part will be especially useful in the selection process. Or if you prefer, you can include all of your comments in the letter of recommendation. Thank You

**Recommendation from Current Science Teacher
For a Student applying for**

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Name of Teacher _____

Directions to teacher:

The student who has given you this form is applying to attend the BHSSC this summer. You have taught this student, so you can tell if she/he is a good candidate for this two-week residential program. Please complete the chart below **and** write a letter of recommendation for this student. When you finish, put this form and letter of recommendation into an envelope and seal it, write you name across the sealed flap, so that your answers will be private. Please return the sealed envelope to the student **as soon as possible** or mail to College of Engineering and Engineering Technology (Associate Dean Office), 590 Garden Rd. EB #331, DeKalb, IL 60115-2899 to be received by the deadline date of May 5, 2009.

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REQUEST FOR RECORDS – Your child should give this form to the registrar at his/her school. A parent or guardian must sign this request so that the registrar can release the records. This set of records should include a copy of the most recent report card. This form should accompany the records.

Name of Student (please print)

Student ID Number

School

Grade

Date of Birth

Homeroom Teacher

Dear Registrar:
Please forward a copy of official records of this student (grades and standardized test scores) and this form to:

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590 Garden Rd. EB #331,
DeKalb, IL 60115-2899.

The records should include a copy of the most recent grades/report card and standardized test grades. In addition to a copy of the official records, please check one of the following, if applicable.

Free Lunch

Reduced Lunch

Signature of Student

I hereby grant permission to the release of the information that this form is requested for my child.

Signature of Parent or Guardian

Date
