

MathMovesU Grants for Teachers and Schools: Math Hero Awards Program Guidelines



Raytheon is pleased to offer the MathMovesU Grants and Scholarships Program. This program is intended to recognize excellence in math teaching.

Are you a math teacher or volunteer who works with students? Do you know someone who makes great strides helping students with math and instilling a love of learning math? MathMovesU wants to reward real-life Math Heroes for their dedication to improving math education and their inspiration of participation in math.

If you know someone who is an effective math teacher, math coach or math event coordinator; someone who uses creativity in teaching or coaching math skills, we want to know about it! Nominate a Math Hero!

Eligibility

Nominees must:

- Be full-time teachers who are currently employed and teaching a mathematics curriculum at a middle school or high school in the United States OR volunteers working with an approved math-related nonprofit organization (i.e. MATHCOUNTS®).

About nominations:

- Students, parents, colleagues, principals, or volunteers (including Raytheon employees or retirees) may nominate individuals for the Math Hero Awards
- Nominations must be based on the nominee's enthusiasm and interest in improving math education: teaching math to others, volunteering for a math-related nonprofit organization, or the nominee's role in getting students more interested in math,
- Finalists will be identified from among all nominees, and
- Finalists who are selected and notified by mail must complete a finalist application and indicate how they plan to use the grant to promote math education in their schools or other math-related programs.

Selection Criteria

Finalists will be selected among nominees on the basis of compelling testimony from nominators regarding the effective and creative ways the nominee works with students to teach math using new and innovative approaches. Recipients will be selected based on the finalists' plans for using the grant to promote math and make learning fun in their schools or other math-related programs as described in their finalist application. Evidence of innovative motivational strategies used with students and expertise shared with colleagues will also be taken into consideration.

Nomination Process

You may wish to gather the following information that is needed for the application process:

- Information about your nominee, including address, phone number, and email address
- The name and location of the school/educational program where your nominee teaches or volunteers
- A biographical sketch of your nominee that includes:
 1. Descriptions of the extraordinary efforts of your nominee to inspire and challenge math students
 2. Your nominee's professional activities and responsibilities
 3. Your nominee's participation in organizations and community
 4. Your nominee's use of technology and creativity to enhance math education
 5. Any information that will help us get to know your nominee better

The nomination form must be completed and sent to Scholarship Management Services postmarked no later than **May 15, 2010**.

Award Amounts

Up to three (3) awards of \$2,500 each will be granted to Math Hero recipients in each of the nine target markets where Raytheon has a presence (AZ, CA, CO, FL, IN, MA, RI, TX and VA). An additional five (5) awards of \$2,500 each will be granted to recipients outside of Raytheon's target markets.

A matching award of \$2,500 will be granted to the school where each recipient is employed or to another approved math-related nonprofit organization of the recipient's choice. The Math Hero will direct how the funds are used by the school or other nonprofit organization.

Nominate your Math Hero Today!

Nominators are responsible for gathering and submitting all necessary information. Selected finalists will be required to submit additional materials for review. Recipients will be selected by Scholarship Management Services; decisions are final.

Nominators and Math Hero finalists will be notified by mail. Math Hero recipients will be asked to release their names and photos for publication. Raytheon reserves the right to use winning entries in the MathMovesU Program.

MathMovesU Grants for Teachers and Schools: Math Hero Awards Nomination Form



TYPE OR PRINT ALL INFORMATION EXCEPT SIGNATURES

Completeness and neatness ensure your nomination form will be reviewed properly.

Nomination postmark deadline May 15, 2010

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**MY
MATH HERO**

My Math Hero is: Last Name _____ First _____ Middle _____

Permanent Home _____

Mailing Address _____ Apartment # _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP Code _____ Telephone (_____) _____

Email Address _____ Teaching/Volunteer Position _____

My Math Hero teaches/volunteers at: _____
(School / Nonprofit Organization) (City) (State)

**NOMINATOR'S
DATA**

Your Name _____

Your Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP Code _____

Telephone (_____) _____ Email Address _____

Describe your relationship to your Math Hero (i.e. Hero's student, community member, co-worker, etc.) _____

NOMINATION

On a separate piece of paper, please (print or type) provide the following information:

- 1) The reasons you are nominating this individual as a Math Hero
- 2) A biographical sketch of your Math Hero nominee including:
 - a) Descriptions of activities that you feel demonstrate extraordinary effort to inspire and challenge math students
 - b) Professional activities/responsibilities
 - c) Participation in organizations
 - d) Use of technology and creativity to enhance math education
 - e) Any other information that might assist us in getting to know your nominee better

REFERENCES

Please list the name, address, title and phone number of at least three people who are familiar with the nominee's achievements in promoting math to students in a fun and challenging learning environment and who might support this nomination.

| NAME | TITLE | PHONE |
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**APPLICATION
CHECKLIST**

The nominator is responsible for submitting all materials to Scholarship Management Services on time. Incomplete nomination forms will not be evaluated. This nomination becomes complete and valid only when all of the following materials have been received:

- Math Hero Awards nomination form**
- Separate typed or printed nomination (Do not send electronic materials such as CDs or DVDs)**

All materials must be addressed to:

MathMovesU Grants: Math Hero Awards
Scholarship Management Services
One Scholarship Way
Saint Peter, MN 56082

Postmark deadline May 15, 2010

CERTIFICATION

Scholarship Management Services has the sole responsibility for selecting recipients based on criteria as set forth in the program guidelines. This application becomes the property of Scholarship Management Services. (It is recommended you keep a copy for your files.)

I acknowledge decisions are final. Falsification of information may result in termination of any award granted.

Nominator's Signature _____ Date _____

Parent's Signature (if nominator is under age 18) _____ Date: _____