

STEM SCHOLARSHIP SCORING MATRIX 2024

	Excellent	Good	Fair
Tell Us About You Total 4 marks	You explained in-depth about your "spark" and provided an overview of what excites you.	You have briefly shared your "spark" and shared what excites you but could have provided more details.	You simply stated your "spark" without giving an overview or details.
	You clearly describe how the STEM scholarship would be impactful for you.	You briefly shared how the STEM scholarship would be impactful, but more details could have been provided.	You simply stated that the STEM scholarship would impact you but did not expand further.
	(4 marks)	(3 marks)	(1-2 marks)
Education and Career Goals	You describe and provide an overview of your education plans	You briefly describe your education plans and connect it to your career	You might be stating that you have education
Total 4 marks	(such as program of study) and how it relates to your career goal with details.	goals, but there could be more details or there could have been more of an explanation on the connection.	plans but there is a lack of details or description. You also do not connect it to your career goals, or you didn't detail the connection enough.
	You share why you have chosen your career goal with details.	You share why you have chosen your career goal but there could be more details.	There is a lack of storytelling around why you have chosen your career goal.
	(4 marks)	(3 marks)	(1-2 marks)
Community Involvement Total 4 marks	You describe and share how your STEM career could provide positive community impact OR you articulate and detail your future plans to build stronger communities.	You briefly share how your STEM career could provide positive community impact OR you briefly share future plans to build stronger communities., but there could be more details.	You simply state that your STEM career contributes to community positively OR you simply state your future community plans but you did not provide enough content or details for a sufficient



	You provide clear examples to demonstrate and strengthen your essay answer.	You provide examples but there could be more details.	There is a lack of examples, or your examples lack details required for a sufficient answer.	
	(4 marks)	(3 marks)	(1-2 marks)	
Spelling & Grammar	Understandable sentence structure, limited spelling, or	Mostly understandable sentence structure, a few spelling or grammar	Sentences can sometimes be hard to	
Total 3 marks	grammar errors (up to 3 errors).	errors found (4-6 errors).	understand, and there were a lot of spelling or grammar errors (7+ errors).	
	(3 marks)	(2 marks)	(1 mark)	
	For video submissions – similar scoring criteria will be used. Instead of spelling or grammar, your articulation (concise and clarity) will be considered.			
Overall Quality of Answers Total 3 marks	All essay answers were thoughtful and of high quality (concise, delivers storytelling in a well-rounded manner).	Most essay answers were thoughtful and of good quality, but a few could have been strengthened with stronger storytelling.	Most essay answers lacked quality, and did not sufficiently deliver storytelling well.	
	(3 marks)	(2 marks)	(1 mark)	
	For video submissions – similar scoring criteria will be used. Within the 5-minute limit, applicant demonstrates thoughtful and concise storytelling that utilizes details, and is intentional about what is being shared as a verbal essay answer.			
TOTAL:	1			
(out of 18)				