

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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### **2012 NATIONAL YOUTH SCIENCE CAMP, CHARLESTON, USA: HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS SOUGHT**

The U.S. Embassy and National Institute for Higher Education, Research, Science and Technology (NIHERST) are pleased to announce they are accepting applications from students in the Tobago and St. Patrick regions for a full scholarship to the National Youth Science Camp (NYSC) in West Virginia, United States.

Two high school seniors from Trinidad and Tobago will receive a full scholarship to exchange ideas with scientists and other professionals from the academic and corporate worlds. The month-long experience includes lectures and hands-on research projects presented by scientists from across the United States; overnight camping trips into the Monogahela National Forest; and a visit to Washington D.C. The selected delegates must not only demonstrate academic achievement in science, but also show potential for thoughtful scientific leadership.

The NYSC experience is offered at no cost to its participants, so that selected delegates may attend regardless of their financial status. Contributions to the National Youth Science Foundation allow delegates to participate in this “once in a lifetime” experience. Educational and recreational programming, as well as meals, lodging, and round-trip air fare on scheduled airlines are provided free of charge.

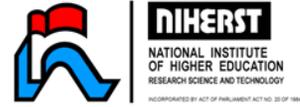
Students will, however, be required to qualify for and cover the costs associated with their visa application. For more information about how to apply for a U.S. visa, please visit:

**[www.trinidad.usembassy.gov](http://www.trinidad.usembassy.gov)**

The chosen students will arrive in Charleston, West Virginia, on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June, 2012 and depart on Sunday 21 July, 2012. The NYSC is held near Bartow in the eastern mountains of West Virginia, within the Monongahela National Forest.

For this year’s competition, candidates will be considered from two of the eight educational districts in Trinidad and Tobago, namely Tobago and St. Patrick. For successive years’ competitions, two educational districts will be selected annually on a rotating basis from which interested students will be encouraged to apply. Further information can be found on either the U.S. Embassy OR the NIHERST website.

U.S. Embassy - <http://trinidad.usembassy.gov/>  
NIHERST - <http://www.niherst.gov.tt/>



The list of eligible schools for this year's competition is as follows:

**TOBAGO:**

Bishop High School  
Pentecostal Light & Life Foundation High School  
Scarborough Secondary School  
Mason Hall Secondary School  
Speyside High Secondary School  
Goodwood High Secondary Schools  
Signal Hill Secondary School  
Roxborough Secondary School

**ST. PATRICK:**

Palo Seco  
Iere High School  
Fyzabad Anglican Secondary School  
Holy Faith Convent  
Holy Name Convent  
Parvati Girls' Hindu College  
Shiva Boys' Hindu School  
Penal Secondary School  
Gus Logie (formerly Vessigny) Secondary School  
Siparia East Secondary  
Point Fortin West Secondary School  
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Siparia West Secondary School  
Cedros Secondary School  
Fyzabad Secondary School

Application forms are available on the NYSC website at [www.nysc.org](http://www.nysc.org) and must be submitted directly to the National Institute for Higher Education, Research, Science and Technology (NIHERST) at the following address:

The Selection Coordinator  
NIHERST  
43-45 Woodford Street  
Newtown  
Fax: 622-1589  
Email: [project@niherst.gov.tt](mailto:project@niherst.gov.tt)

Applications must be received by **WEDNESDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2012.**

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