

Applicants to Grades 5-8: Current English Teacher



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Name of Student _____ has applied for grade _____

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How long have you known the candidate and in what connection? _____

Please list subject taught, including level of difficulty _____

Please list the textbook used, if applicable _____

Academic Qualities

Academic ability

- ☐ Outstanding
- ☐ Good
- ☐ Average
- ☐ Below average

Academic achievement

- ☐ Outstanding
- ☐ Good
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- ☐ Below average

Effort and drive

- ☐ Outstanding
- ☐ Good
- ☐ Sporadic
- ☐ Occasional

Study habits

- ☐ Well organized
- ☐ Organized
- ☐ Easily distracted
- ☐ Poor

Intellectual curiosity

- ☐ Strong and varied
- ☐ Good
- ☐ An occasional spark
- ☐ Limited

Ability to work with others

- ☐ Always works well
- ☐ Usually effective
- ☐ Sometimes unable to cope
- ☐ Has great difficulty in a group

Ability to work independently

- ☐ Always works alone
- ☐ Needs help occasionally
- ☐ Needs help frequently
- ☐ Requires supervision

Concentration

- ☐ Exceptional
- ☐ Usually good
- ☐ Occasionally distracted
- ☐ Easily distracted

Written expression of ideas

- ☐ Ideas and mechanics excellent
- ☐ Ideas good, mechanics good
- ☐ Ideas good, mechanics fair
- ☐ Ideas fair, mechanics good
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Oral expression of ideas

- ☐ Exceptional
- ☐ Good
- ☐ Only when called on
- ☐ Wants to dominate
- ☐ Rarely contributes

Seeks help when needed

- ☐ Always
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Never

Uses Suggestions

- ☐ Always
- ☐ Usually
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Rarely

Personality Traits

CIRCLE all the words that best describe the student

Aggressive
Anxious
Articulate
Assertive
Cheerful
Confident
Conscientious
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Easily discouraged
Follower
Helpful
Honest
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Irritable
Manipulative
Motivated
Negative leader
Over-protected
Passive aggressive
Perfectionist
Positive leader
Responsible
Self-centered
Self-disciplined
Shy
Social
Vivacious
Well-liked

Personal Qualities

Maturity

- ☐ Very mature
- ☐ Appropriate
- ☐ Somewhat immature
- ☐ Very immature

Consideration of others

- ☐ Unusually thoughtful
- ☐ Usually considerate
- ☐ Rarely considerate
- ☐ Selfish

Social adjustments with peers

- ☐ Healthy relationships
- ☐ Occasional minor problems
- ☐ Frequent minor problems
- ☐ Relates poorly

Sense of humor

- ☐ Delightful
- ☐ Good
- ☐ Inappropriate
- ☐ Humorless

Attitude of parents

- ☐ Cooperative
- ☐ Uninvolved
- ☐ Overly protective
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Self-confidence

- ☐ Has healthy self-image
- ☐ Needs some support
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- ☐ Very trustworthy
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- ☐ Usually obeys rules
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Personal Qualities: leadership, honesty, responsibility, concern for others, and sense of humor.

Overall Rating	Outstanding	Good	Average	With reservations
As a student	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
As a person	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Overall	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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