



# RYE COUNTRY DAY SCHOOL

Office of Admissions

## Current Teacher's Recommendation (For Applicants to Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten)

Recommendation deadline: January 10, 2022

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### PART 1:

PARENTS: After completing Part 1, please give this form to the student's recommender to complete and return directly to Rye Country Day School. Please provide the teacher with a stamped envelope addressed to RCDS (above right). Alternately, the teacher may scan/email this form to admissions@ryecountryday.org.

Our school does not currently accept the Standard Application Online (SAO) for applicants. However, if you are using the SAO to apply to other schools in the Fairchester Consortium, we will accept copies of the SAO Teacher Recommendation forms. If you wish to send SAO teacher recommendation forms to our school, please request that your teachers email a PDF copy of their completed SAO teacher recommendation form directly to our school at admissions@ryecountryday.org.

Notice: A teacher must first complete the SAO Teacher Recommendation Form online, using the request link an applicant sends as a part of the SAO. After the teacher completes and submits the form, a PDF copy of the completed form can be accessed.

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Student Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

As part of the process for admission, Rye Country Day School (RCDS) requires written recommendations. I/We acknowledge that these recommendations are confidential communications between the recommender and RCDS. I/We waive the right to access this recommendation, and acknowledge that RCDS is relying on this waiver and would not consider my/our child without it. I/We also understand that this recommendation will not become part of my/our child's permanent record at RCDS if my/our child is accepted and enrolls at RCDS. **Thank you for your cooperation and candor. All RCDS recommendation forms are confidential.**

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Parent/Guardian Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

### PART 2:

TEACHER: The above student has applied for admission to Rye Country Day School. Teacher recommendations from current teachers are an important part of the admissions process. Kindly complete the check-form below and add any additional comments that will help in developing an understanding of the applicant both as a student and as a person. Please do not fill out this form before November 1. Please return this form directly to Rye Country Day School.

**Thank you for your cooperation and candor. All RCDS recommendation forms are confidential.**

Social/Emotional Development:

Please rate each item according to how well it describes the child:

	Exceeds Age Expectation	Age Appropriate	Needs Development	Area of Concern	Not Applicable
Has positive self-esteem					
Has good sense of humor					
Shares willingly with others					
Becomes engaged with peers					
Approaches new situations with confidence					
Is a happy child					
Is comfortable as a leader					
Is comfortable as a follower					
Resolves peer problems successfully					
Exhibits self-control					
Functions well even with distractions					
Follows class rules					
Thinks before acting					
Accepts limits					
Is a self starter					
Functions well in unstructured situations					
Is cooperative					
Separates easily from parent/caregiver					
Tolerates frustration well					
Is imaginative					

**Additional comments regarding social development:**

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Physical Development:

Please rate each item according to how well it describes the child:

	<b>Exceeds Age Expectation</b>	<b>Age Appropriate</b>	<b>Needs Development</b>	<b>Area of Concern</b>	<b>Not Applicable</b>
<b>Has age-appropriate fine motor control</b>					
<b>Has age-appropriate gross motor coordination</b>					
<b>Exhibits stamina in a day's activities</b>					
<b>Exhibits good speech development</b>					
<b>Participates in group physical activities</b>					

**Handedness:**

- right                       left                       mixed

**Additional comments regarding physical development (re: auditory, visual, general health, etc.):**

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Pre-Academic Development:

Please rate each item according to how well it describes the child:

	<b>Exceeds Age Expectation</b>	<b>Age Appropriate</b>	<b>Needs Development</b>	<b>Area of Concern</b>	<b>Not Applicable</b>
<b>Exhibits curiosity</b>					
<b>Focuses well on task at hand</b>					
<b>Understands directions</b>					
<b>Understands discussions</b>					
<b>Participates appropriately in discussions</b>					
<b>Follows needed sequences</b>					
<b>Expresses thoughts</b>					
<b>Remembers information</b>					
<b>Completes tasks</b>					
<b>Speaks with appropriate clarity</b>					
<b>Has an active imagination</b>					
<b>Is well organized</b>					
<b>Can work independently</b>					
<b>Can apply learning to new situations</b>					
<b>Works cooperatively</b>					
<b>Listens in a group</b>					
<b>Makes transitions easily</b>					
<b>Tolerates frustration well</b>					

**Additional comments regarding pre-academic development:**

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General Questions:

Please rate (1 – 5; 1=low, 5=high):

\_\_\_\_\_ **The parent(s)/guardian(s) shares the School's expectation level and general understanding of the child.**

\_\_\_\_\_ **The parent(s)/guardian(s) demonstrates a strong understanding and support of the School's mission.**

Please comment:

**1) List three words that best describe the student:**

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**2) Are there any special aspects of the child's home life, attendance pattern, parental/guardian involvement with the school that should be commented on?**

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**3) Any additional comments/remarks?**

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**Name (Please print)** \_\_\_\_\_ **Position** \_\_\_\_\_

**School** \_\_\_\_\_ **School Phone** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

*Please note: This form is due no later than January 10. RCDS will send a reminder to families with incomplete admissions folders after January 1.*