COUNTRYSIDE SCHOOL

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RECOMMENDATION FORM

FOR STUDENTS ENTERING GRADES 1-5 FOR 2027-2028 SCHOOL YEAR

To the applicant: Please print the student's name on the first line below and give this form to a current teacher.

Name of Student _____ Applying for Grade _____

Current School _____ Current Grade _____

To the recommendation writer: The above-named student is an applicant for admission to Countryside School. Countryside School is dedicated to offering a challenging and rewarding program to students who are motivated to learn. We would appreciate your candid and confidential evaluation of the applicant. **Please e-mail the completed form (or photographs of both pages) to admissions@countrysideschool.org or mail it directly to Admissions, Countryside School, 4301 W. Kirby Avenue, Champaign, IL 61822. Please mark the envelope CONFIDENTIAL.** This form is for Admissions Committee review only. It is not available for applicant or parental review.

In what grade and subjects do you teach this applicant? _____

How long have you known the applicant? _____

Please circle the words that you feel describe this student:

aggressive	confident	easily discouraged	irritable	organized	self-centered
anxious	conscientious	follower	loner	over-protected	self-disciplined
articulate	cooperative	happy	manipulative	perfectionist	shy
average	disobedient	helpful	motivated	positive leader	social
cheerful	distractible	honest	negative leader	responsible	well-liked

Academic Traits	**Advanced for Age**	**Appropriate For Age**	**Needs Development**	**Below Age Level**	**Comments**
Academic potential	☐	☐	☐	☐	
Academic achievement	☐	☐	☐	☐	
Self-motivation	☐	☐	☐	☐	
Effort/initiative	☐	☐	☐	☐	
Intellectual curiosity	☐	☐	☐	☐	
Attention span	☐	☐	☐	☐	
Organization/study skills	☐	☐	☐	☐	
Commitment to homework	☐	☐	☐	☐	
Ability to follow directions	☐	☐	☐	☐	
Ability to work independently	☐	☐	☐	☐	
Ability to work in a group	☐	☐	☐	☐	
Ability to express ideas orally	☐	☐	☐	☐	
Ability to express ideas in writing	☐	☐	☐	☐	
Use of time	☐	☐	☐	☐	
Participation in class	☐	☐	☐	☐	

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Character and Personality

Conduct	☐	☐	☐	☐	
Leadership	☐	☐	☐	☐	
Emotional maturity	☐	☐	☐	☐	
Self-confidence	☐	☐	☐	☐	
Integrity	☐	☐	☐	☐	
Sense of responsibility	☐	☐	☐	☐	
Social relationship with peers	☐	☐	☐	☐	
Interaction with adults	☐	☐	☐	☐	
Sense of humor	☐	☐	☐	☐	
Creativity	☐	☐	☐	☐	
Respect for others	☐	☐	☐	☐	
Concern for others	☐	☐	☐	☐	

Please write a few words of recommendation in the space provided below. Include your impressions about this student's academic ability, work habits, and relationships with peers.

Please comment on this applicant's attendance, behavior in the classroom, attitude, emotional maturity, and ability to function in their stretch zone.

Please describe parental expectations, cooperation, and involvement with the school.

Math Level _____ Reading Level _____

I recommend this candidate:

☐ Enthusiastically ☐ Strongly ☐ Fairly Strongly ☐ Without Enthusiasm ☐ Not Recommended

Name _____ Position _____

School _____ Phone _____

Email _____ Date _____