

Governor's Scholars Program 2026 Community Recommendation Form (for Character Reference)

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(Once completed, please return to student or school)

Recommender's Name:

Applicant's Name:

Recommender's Position & Organization:

Recommender's Phone:

Email:

(Confidential and only used if needed)

How long have you known this applicant?

In what capacity have you interacted with this applicant?

Please check the number that represents your experience with this applicant as related to the qualities listed below. 5 represents the highest score and 1 represents the lowest score. Check one number for each quality.

Willingness and ability to contribute to the community	☐ 1	☐ 2	☐ 3	☐ 4	☐ 5
Cooperation, social and emotional maturity	☐ 1	☐ 2	☐ 3	☐ 4	☐ 5
Character, integrity, and honesty	☐ 1	☐ 2	☐ 3	☐ 4	☐ 5
Consideration for and attitude toward others	☐ 1	☐ 2	☐ 3	☐ 4	☐ 5
Flexibility, willingness to adapt to new situations and accept changes	☐ 1	☐ 2	☐ 3	☐ 4	☐ 5
Motivation, initiative, and self-starting ability	☐ 1	☐ 2	☐ 3	☐ 4	☐ 5
Willingness to pursue visionary ideas	☐ 1	☐ 2	☐ 3	☐ 4	☐ 5
Self discipline, responsibility, and dedication to following through	☐ 1	☐ 2	☐ 3	☐ 4	☐ 5
Creativity and originality of thought	☐ 1	☐ 2	☐ 3	☐ 4	☐ 5
Inquisitiveness, interest in a variety of topics and issues	☐ 1	☐ 2	☐ 3	☐ 4	☐ 5

As you respond to the following questions, please be sure to include specific details and examples. Brief responses that lack specific information do not provide the selection committee with sufficient information and will result in a lower score.

1. What do you consider to be the most relevant strength and weakness of this applicant as a member of the community?

2. Based on your experience with the applicant, what would you expect the single greatest contribution of this individual to be at the Governor's Scholars Program?

3. In your view, what is the potential of this individual as a future leader in their chosen professional field?

4. What is most unique about this applicant? If you are aware of any hardships/conditions (social, emotional, or otherwise) that may impact this applicant's participation in the Governor's Scholars Program, please note them here. If information that you feel is important is not included elsewhere in your recommendation, please feel free to include it here also.