

The 2010 Martin W. Essex School for the Gifted

TEACHER (A) RECOMMENDATION FORM (to be completed by the teacher)

The Martin W. Essex School for the Gifted, now in its fourth decade, is a one-week residential school held at The Ohio State University for the most outstanding young people in Ohio. These students, who are gifted and/or talented, will be seniors during the 2010 - 2011 school year. Those selected will participate in a summer enrichment experience that includes activities such as seminars, workshops and extended projects focusing on a variety of subjects, including government, science, engineering, the arts, the environment, technology, global education, human resources and career planning.

Note to Student:

The application is comprised of three important elements: the short answer question, the extended essay and the two teacher recommendations. The student may choose the recommending teachers, *at least one of which must be among those in whose classes the student has been enrolled within the past 12 months*. The teacher recommendations constitute one-third of the total points awarded in the selection process.

Note to Teacher:

Teacher recommendations play a significant role in determining those students who are selected for participation in the Essex School and account for one-third of the total points awarded.

Please type your response to each item in the fields provided. Upon completion, **print one copy of your response, sign the document, and forward it to the district representative** sponsoring the nominated student. In order for a student to be considered for this program, the district representative must return all completed application materials to the district superintendent for authorization and official submission to the Essex School. The rubric utilized by the Essex Selection Committee in scoring the teacher recommendations has been posted to the Essex School website for your reference and convenience (www.sscsco.org/essex).

Your time and effort are greatly appreciated.

Nominated Student's Name _____

Recommending Teacher's Name _____

Years of teaching experience, including the current school year _____

Subject(s) taught _____

Has the above-named student been enrolled in at least one of your classes within the past 12 months? Yes No

What class(es) and/or independent study has the student taken under your supervision?

How would you rank this student's overall performance in relation to that of all students you have taught?

Teacher's Signature

Date

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Please address each of the following items, typing your responses in the fields provided. Note that the space allotted for each response is limited. You are not required to draw your examples from the student's performances in your classroom.

Nominated Student's Name _____

I. SCHOLARSHIP: How has this student distinguished himself/herself scholastically? Cite two examples.

II. LEADERSHIP: In considering this student's capacity to lead others, cite two examples that demonstrate his/her leadership abilities.

III. SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY: How has this student demonstrated a commitment to social responsibility? Cite two examples.

Teacher's Signature

Date