

HIGH MOUNTAIN INSTITUTE

Teacher Recommendation Form



TO THE STUDENT: Rocky Mountain Semester applications require two teacher recommendations, at least one of which should be from a 10th grade teacher. Summer Program applications require one teacher recommendation.

Applicant's Name: _____

School: _____

Program for which student is applying:

Rocky Mountain Semester

The RMS is a unique opportunity for juniors in high school to spend a semester living and studying in the heart of the Rocky Mountains. We offer a full honors- and AP-level academic curriculum. In addition, the semester includes three wilderness trips where students learn to live in a small community and work on leadership skills, gain confidence, and confront intellectual challenges.

Leading Edge

The Leading Edge is a summer program that offers a challenging leadership development curriculum in the heart of the Rocky Mountains. The program includes a backpacking expedition, leadership development exercises, and hands-on opportunities to practice peer leadership.

High Peaks Adventure

The High Peaks adventure is a two-week outdoor adventure in the Colorado Rockies. The trip includes an extended backpacking expedition, mountain biking, rock climbing, and white-water rafting.

TO THE TEACHER: Students need not have any prior camping experience to participate in HMI programs, but should expect to carry all of their equipment in backpacks, live outdoors, and experience a wide range of weather conditions. We are seeking curious, motivated, energetic students who are ready to work hard and try new things.

Would you recommend this applicant to HMI? We would greatly appreciate your candid evaluation of this student. Thank you!
(Rocky Mountain Semester recommendation writers: Please feel free to attach additional pages as necessary.)

How do you know the student? _____

How long have you known the student? _____

What subject(s) do you teach? _____

Please evaluate the student in terms of the following qualities:

MATURITY

Outstanding Good Average Fair Poor No Basis for Comment

ENERGY

Outstanding Good Average Fair Poor No Basis for Comment

CURIOSITY

Outstanding Good Average Fair Poor No Basis for Comment

INITIATIVE

Outstanding Good Average Fair Poor No Basis for Comment

SENSE OF HUMOR

Outstanding Good Average Fair Poor No Basis for Comment

ABILITY TO GET ALONG WITH OTHERS

Outstanding Good Average Fair Poor No Basis for Comment

RESPONSIBILITY

Outstanding Good Average Fair Poor No Basis for Comment

SELF-CONFIDENCE

Outstanding Good Average Fair Poor No Basis for Comment

CLASSROOM PARTICIPATION

Outstanding Good Average Fair Poor No Basis for Comment

CREATIVITY

Outstanding Good Average Fair Poor No Basis for Comment

PHYSICAL CONDITIONING

Outstanding Good Average Fair Poor No Basis for Comment

May we contact you for more information? Yes No

Home Phone #: _____ Work Phone #: _____

Email: _____

Name (please print): _____ Signature: _____

Please return this form in a sealed envelope directly to the student.
Applications for the Rocky Mountain Semester are due on March 1.
Early application to summer programs is encouraged. Please feel free to
contact Daniel O'Brien, Director of Admissions, at (719) 486-8200, ext. 109
or dobrien@hminet.org with questions or comments.

