

SHARED TEACHER RECOMMENDATION

Grades Six through Eight- ENGLISH

Name of Applicant: _____ Applicant for Grade: _____

Parent or Guardian: Please write your child's name in the space above and read and sign before giving this to your child's teacher. Please include an addressed/stamped envelope for each school you list below. I understand and agree that the information contained on this Teacher Recommendation form is confidential and will be used only in the selection of applicants and will not become part of the applicant's permanent file. I also agree that this completed form will not be available to applicant's, parents, or anyone outside of the Admission Committee, and I waive any right that I may have to see it.

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date

Please send this recommendation on the following Houston schools:

1. _____	Address: _____	Zip: _____
2. _____	Address: _____	Zip: _____
3. _____	Address: _____	Zip: _____
4. _____	Address: _____	Zip: _____

Teacher: Please complete this confidential form and return it in the enclosed or emailed to Jen Kopciel at jkopciel@berenacademy.org.

In order to give you time to know the applicant better, we ask that you *not* complete this form *before December 1*. This Teacher Recommendation form will be treated confidentially and will not be shared with parents. You may wish to retain the original copy for your files to send to additional schools. Thank you for your cooperation and honesty. **The child's application cannot be processed until this form is received in the Admissions Office.**

Academic Skills

<i>Ratings</i>	<i>Truly Outstanding</i>	<i>Excellent</i>	<i>Above Average</i>	<i>Average</i>	<i>Below Average</i>	<i>Comments</i>
Listens to and follows teacher's directions						
Is attentive to group discussions/activities						
Contributes appropriately to group discussions/activities						
Demonstrates ability to work independently						
Preserves in spite of difficulty						
Works cooperatively						
Enjoys new challenges						
Demonstrates appropriate energy level						
Demonstrates ability to stay on task						
Exhibits appropriate work ethic						

Social Skills

<i>Ratings</i>	<i>Truly Outstanding</i>	<i>Excellent</i>	<i>Above Average</i>	<i>Average</i>	<i>Below Average</i>	<i>Comments</i>
Responds positively to constructive criticism						
Establishes friendships easily						
Is comfortable in a group						
Is respectful of faculty						
Is respected by peers						
Demonstrates self-control						
Takes responsibility for belongings						
Is cooperative						
Demonstrates appropriate behavior						
Exhibits emotional maturity						

Demonstrates appropriate energy level						
Takes pride in appearance						

Communication Skills

<i>Ratings</i>	<i>Truly Outstanding</i>	<i>Excellent</i>	<i>Above Average</i>	<i>Average</i>	<i>Below Average</i>	<i>Comments</i>
Ability to express ideas verbally						
Clarity of writing style						
Grammar/Mechanics skills						
Reading rate and fluency						
Reading comprehension						
Knowledge and usage of vocabulary						
Imagination and creativity						

Circle the words that best describe this applicant

Aggressive	Disobedient	Irritable	Organized	Self-disciplined
Anxious	Easily discouraged	Manipulative	Over-protected	Shy
Articulate	Follower	Mature	Perfectionist	Social
Cheerful	Helpful	Motivated	Positive leader	Vivacious
Confident	Honest	Negative leader	Responsible	Well-liked
Conscientious	Immature	Oppositional	Self-centered	Witty

- Briefly describe the work habits/abilities/challenges. _____
- Is the applicant habitually tardy or absent? ☐ Yes ☐ No
If yes, please explain. _____
- This applicant is: ☐ Highly Recommended (Top 5%) ☐ Strongly Recommended ☐ Recommended ☐ Recommended with Reservation
☐ Not Recommended
If you checked "Recommended with Reservation" or "Not Recommended," please explain. _____
- If the same recommendation is not appropriate for all the schools which the applicant is applying to, please explain. _____
- Is there anything regarding the applicant that would be helpful for the Admissions Committee to know? _____
- Is there anything regarding the family that would be helpful for the Admissions Committee to know? _____
- I would: ☐ like to ☐ be willing to discuss this applicant by telephone.

Director/Principal

	Consistently	Usually	Seldom	Not Observed
Parent(s) participate in school activities				
Parent(s) support school policies and procedures				

Signature of Director/Principal: _____ Date: _____