

BELLAIRE HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR RECOMMENDATION FORM

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Please take care to fill this out. It will be used by your counselor to write your letters of recommendation for college entrance if needed, and scholarship applications. A copy will be forwarded to the **Bellaire Scholarship/Awards Committee** for consideration for nomination to a variety of programs.

Please type or print neatly. You may also use a computer generated copy as long as it follows the format below.

Name _____ Soc. Sec. Number _____ E-Mail Address _____

Address _____ Zip Code _____

Home Phone _____ Date of Birth _____

City of Birth _____

Language(s) Spoken at Home _____

Father's Name _____ Occupation _____

Education completed: Grade School _____ High School _____ College _____ Name: _____

Mother's Name _____ Occupation _____

Education completed: Grade School _____ High School _____ College _____ Name: _____

Parents: Married _____ Divorced _____ Separated _____ One/Both Remarried _____ One/Both Deceased _____

SELF ASSESSMENT

1. List three adjectives to describe yourself _____,
_____, _____

2. What are your personal strengths?

3. What are your academic strengths?

ARE YOU AN IB DIPLOMA CANDIDATE? _____ YES _____ NO

4. What has been your favorite subject? Why?

LIST 4 TEACHERS WHO KNOW YOU WELL: _____,
_____, _____

5. List your top three college/university choices: _____,
_____, _____

WHAT IS THE EARLIEST APPLICATION DEADLINE FOR WHICH YOU ARE REQUESTING A RECOMMENDATION FROM THE COUNSELOR? _____

6. What are your current career goals? Why?

7. What college majors are you considering?

8. What do you feel is the ideal college environment for you? (size, location, specific city, social climate, quality of life, etc.)
9. In reviewing your transcript, is there anything you would like to explain to colleges in order for them to put your grades in an appropriate context? If so, what?

10. SELF-SUMMARY/MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION

The counselor is often asked to assess a student's potential regarding academic and personal qualities (character, relative maturity, integrity, values, special talents, etc.) and his/her promise as a student in the college or university setting. The counselor is asked to avoid listing student activities that are available elsewhere and to give specific events/examples and any unusual circumstances (health or financial issues, etc.) that may give added insight into the strengths and weaknesses of the candidate.

How would you assess yourself if you were writing this statement for a college? You may use an extra page if needed to write your response.

11. PARENT RESPONSE

List three adjectives to describe your child _____,
_____.

Please relate anecdotes that describe your student's strengths, accomplishments, preferences, work habits, personality, etc. Tell what you would like the college admissions committees to know about your student regarding unusual talents, personal qualities, assets/characteristics that set the student apart from others. Describe your child's role in the life of your family. Discuss your child's reactions to any unusual circumstances and/or situations in your family life.

You may use an extra page if needed to write your response.

OPTIONAL FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

Name _____ Date _____

We are fortunate in Houston to have a number of groups/foundations that are anxious to promote education and the general welfare of high school students in the community by funding various scholarship/award opportunities. THE BELLAIRE SCHOLARSHIP/AWARDS COMMITTEE will be meeting to make nominations for these scholarships/awards at their request; following the criteria required by the individual programs. The programs to which Bellaire's Committee has submitted nominees in the past are listed below. A previous offering of a scholarship is no guarantee that the program/foundation will continue to ask for nominees; however, those listed can be considered as annual opportunities for nomination.

Army Reserve National Scholar/Athlete Award: No money is awarded. Criteria: Excellence in both academics and athletics. A representative of the Army will present a medallion and a certificate to one male and one female recipient. There is no obligation toward the Army on the part of the recipient.

HISD Board of Education Award: No money is awarded. One outstanding male and one outstanding female are named. Criteria: Character (conduct of S or E), Scholarship (upper 15% of class), Leadership (holding highest office in a school organization or activity), Service (representing school in contests, member of publication staff, serving as an office assistant, etc.) Winners and runners-up are named as a part of the graduation exercises.

Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholarship Program (sponsored by US Congress): Amount: Contingent upon availability of Federal funds and Congressional approval. Criteria: Performance on ACT/SAT, rank in class, GPA. Three nominations may be submitted. We are not guaranteed a winner.

Delta Delta Delta Houston Alumnae Chapter Solberger High School Senior Scholarship: Amount: \$1,000 renewable annually. Criteria: female, financial need, leadership, scholastic standing, extra-curricular activities. One nominee may be submitted. We are not guaranteed a winner.

Jesse H. Jones and Mary Gibbs Jones Scholarships (sponsored by the Houston Endowment): Amount: \$12,000. Criteria: Academic attainment, economic need. Other criteria such as leadership, character, citizenship may be considered. No less than eight and no more than sixteen nominees (equal between young men and women) must be submitted. Four winners are guaranteed.

Phi Beta Kappa Alumnae Association of Greater Houston: Amount: \$3,000. Criteria: This scholarship is an academic honor. It is not need based. No less than three and no more than five nominees must be submitted. Students should rank in the top five of the class. One winner is guaranteed.

***Students who do not complete and turn in the information below will not be eligible for nomination for need-based scholarships by the Scholarship/Awards Committee.**

FINANCIAL INFORMATION (This information will be held in confidence by your counselor and other committee members.)

Check the approximate amount of family's total annual income, and have your parent to sign as verification.

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| _____ (1) \$20,000 or below | _____ (6) \$100,000 to 150,000 |
| _____ (2) \$21,000 to 40,000 | _____ (7) \$150,000 to 200,000 |
| _____ (3) \$41,000 to 60,000 | _____ (8) \$201,000 to 300,000 |
| _____ (4) \$61,000 to 80,000 | _____ (9) above \$300,000 |
| _____ (5) \$81,000 to 100,000 | |

FAMILY SIZE (Please list all brothers and sisters who are living in the home, or currently enrolled in college/university.)

Name	Age	School or College/University

Signature of Parent or Guardian

Date