

SSSAS RECOMMENDATION FORM

ENTERING GRADES JK - 1

Return Address: SSSAS Admission Office, 400 Fontaine Street, Alexandria, Virginia 22302

Please print and return completed form no later than January 12, 2012.

For parents: I hereby waive my right to access this recommendation and authorize the above-named person to provide an evaluation and all relevant information to the school for purposes of my child's application to attend the school.

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

Name of Applicant _____ Current Grade Level _____

Current School _____ Applying for Grade _____

For persons submitting recommendation: The school would appreciate your candid assessment of the applicant's abilities. Your recommendation will be kept confidential.

Name of Respondent _____ Grade/Course Taught _____

My relationship has been that of _____ I have known this student for _____ months/years.

Purpose: The items below ask for your sense of this student's social, physical, and pre-academic skill development. Please use the check boxes to show gradations within each category. This form provides one way of getting to know the child and is reviewed with the full awareness that young children are constantly changing and developing. Thank you for your thoughtful attention to this request.

SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT	Advanced for Age	Appropriate for Age	Needs Development	Not at Acceptable Level	Comments
Can be a friend					
Is supportive of peers					
Plays alone happily					
Cooperates at play					
Shares well					
Initiates play activities					
Has the capacity to lead					
Has the capacity to follow					
Is imaginative					
Uses material purposefully					
Is comfortable with adults					
Demonstrates self-control in class					
Demonstrates self-control on playground					
Responds positively to re-direction					
Exhibits sense of humor					
Seeks help when needed					
Respects property of others					
Exhibits courtesy and respect					
PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT					
Small muscle control & development					
Large muscle control & development					
Speech development					

What frustrates this child? _____

PRE-ACADEMIC SKILL DEVELOPMENT	Advanced for Age	Appropriate for Age	Needs Development	Not at Acceptable Level	Comments
Is attentive					
Listens in a group					
Contributes to group discussions					
Follows directions					
Works cooperatively					
Demonstrates ability to focus on one task					
Completes tasks					
Respects classroom routines					
Transitions well					
Responds positively to constructive criticism					
Is curious					
Is willing to try new activities					
Is a self-starter					
Enjoys new challenges					
Exhibits problem-solving ability					
Expresses ideas well					

What are the first words that come to mind when describing this child? _____

If the child is applying to First Grade, please describe his/her development of beginning reading skills:

beginning math skills: _____

Personal characteristics: Please describe the child and include comments on the child's personality, maturity, confidence, assertiveness, humor, and degree of independence. We welcome any other information you think might be helpful. Please use a separate sheet of paper for further comments in any category, if needed.

Parental cooperation and involvement with the school (please describe): _____

Submitted by _____ Date _____

Phone number where we may reach you (_____) _____ Email _____