



Letter of Recommendation for the Youth Ambassadors Program

Instructions: Recommendations should be made by two (2) individuals (colleagues or supervisor) who know the applicant and has knowledge of their professional, personal and leadership qualities. The recommendations cannot be from a family member or friends.

This recommendation must be typed, or if it is written by hand it must be legible. The recommendations must be submitted with your complete application to be eligible. **LETTERS ARRIVING LATE MAY DISQUALIFY AN APPLICATION.**

Our program contains a special type of educational experience. This applicant will be involved in a three-week international exchange program, having direct contact with youth and adults. The applicant will be immersed in an academic environment with challenges and that will require intercultural adjustment and a coexistence as a member of a host family. To be successful, the applicant must have a high degree of motivation and the ability to get used to people of different social and cultural levels. Please be very honest in your evaluation of the applicant to help us determine whether or not this person is able to participate in this type of program. Please indicate, by checking the appropriate spaces, your evaluation of the characteristics of this person. If you wish, you can add comments, if so, please include another page.

To be filled out by the applicant:

Last Name, First Name (as provided on your application)

Date of Birth (Month/Day/Year)

Email Address

To be filled out by the person giving the reference:

Full Name

Work/Title

Relationship to the applicant

Place of Employment

Email Address

Phone Number

	Excellent	Good	Normal	Poor	Not Sure
Consideration and respect for others and their perspectives					
Good judgment and common sense					
Leadership potential					
Ability to take direction cheerfully					
Initiative					
Sense of responsibility					
Ability to adjust and cope with new situations					
Intellectual curiosity and imagination					
Ability to express self					
Participation in the community and in extra-curricular activities					
Ability to complete and continue projects					
Sense of humor					
Ability to mentor youth					

In what capacity have you known this applicant?

How long have you known the applicant? From: _____ to _____

Comments: Please make a candid evaluation of the applicant and evaluate your ability to participate in an educational exchange program in the Caribbean or South America with U.S. youth. Please focus on the following:

- Preparation for living abroad: maturity, adaptability and interpersonal skills
- How do you think this experience abroad will be beneficial in a professional and personal sense?
- Strong and weak characteristics
- Please comment on the applicant's chances of success in this program, including intercultural and leadership skills.
- Please comment on the candidate's ability to mentor youth.
- Skill in the Spanish language (if known).

Name _____

Signature _____