

# Pastor Recommendation Form

## To Be Completed by the Student

**Applicant:** Please complete this section and give this form to your youth pastor. Be sure to check the deadline in which you are applying for.

**If there is a question or concern about the pastor filling out the form (i.e. Pastor is parent, new to the church or just doesn't know you well), please feel free to give the form to a leader who can comment on your spiritual walk.**

Applicant's Full Name \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Under the provision of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, you have the right to review your educational records. The Act further provides that you may waive your right to see letters written on your behalf for admission.

I waive my right of access to this recommendation written on behalf of my candidacy for admission.

Applicant's signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

## To Be Completed by the Pastor/Lay Leader

**Note: This student's application will not be evaluated until we have received your form. Please see deadline date above.**

Each applicant for admission to Taylor University must submit a pastor's recommendation. We value your comments and request that you give a full and candid report, so that fair consideration may be given to the applicant.

1. How long have you known the applicant? \_\_\_\_\_

2. How well do you know the applicant? \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Just by name and sight

☐ Casually, few personal contacts

☐ Fairly well, many personal contacts

☐ Very well, close pastor/parishioner relationship

Add comments if necessary

3. Please rate the applicant's involvement in church activities.

☐ Seldom attends

☐ Attends but shows little interest

☐ Attends regularly and somewhat involved

☐ Enthusiastically involved

Add Comments if necessary

4. To the best of your knowledge, has the applicant made a personal commitment to Jesus Christ? ☐ Yes ☐ No

5. Please indicate the applicant's spiritual influence on his/her peers. ☐ Evangelistic ☐ Positive ☐ Neutral ☐ Negative

6. Please circle 5 of the 16 words listed below that best describe the applicant.

Add Comments if necessary

Leader      Relatonal      Teachable      Committed

Compassionate      Mature      Self-Centered      Authentic

Distractingl      Critical      Follower      Loner

Creative      Complacent      Disciple      Sincere

7. Please list the most obvious strength and weakness that comes to mind when you think of this applicant.

Strength: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Weakness: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

8. To the best of your knowledge does the applicant: Smoke? ☐ Yes ☐ No Drink alcoholic beverages? ☐ Yes ☐ No Use illegal drugs? ☐ Yes ☐ No  
(Learn more about Taylor's Life Together Covenant at <http://www.taylor.edu/ltc/>)

9. Please feel free to share with us any information or clarifications you may have about the applicant that would help in our evaluation.

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Name (Please print)		Date	
Signature		Position	
Name of church		Denomination	
Church address	City	State	Zip
Church telephone		Home telephone	
How familiar are you with Taylor University? <input type="checkbox"/> Very familiar <input type="checkbox"/> Somewhat familiar <input type="checkbox"/> Not at all familiar			
Are you an alumnus of Taylor University? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		Year you graduated _____	
Is a member of your staff an alumnus of Taylor University? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		If yes, please indicate name _____	
How many do you have in your youth group? _____		Are you interested in bringing your youth group to campus? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
If you are interested in a Taylor representative visiting with you and your youth group, please call our office.			
Would you like to receive any literature from Taylor University? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			

**If you know other students that you believe would be interested in Taylor, please list their information or go to [www.taylor.edu/recommend](http://www.taylor.edu/recommend) and add them to our mailing list.**

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Graduation Year: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Thank you** for taking the time to complete this form. Your observations will assist us in our evaluation of the applicant. Please return to:

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