

# CTD SUMMER PROGRAM 2009 TEACHER RECOMMENDATION FORM

## Civic Leadership Institute

### To the Applicant

If you are applying by Admission Portfolio, please complete the information in this section and give this form to two teachers (please duplicate this form for the second teacher) who are familiar with your work. Include information about CTD and the Civic Leadership Institute. If possible, choose teachers in the social sciences or humanities. Each teacher should place this form and the attached letter of recommendation in a sealed envelope with a signature over the flap and return it to you. You should include the sealed letters with your application. If this is not possible, you may have your teachers return the recommendations directly to us. As a courtesy, you might provide each teacher with a stamped envelope addressed to the CTD Summer Program.

Applicant's Name

FIRST

MIDDLE

LAST

Home Phone (      )

E-mail

Course Number: **72**    Course Title: **Civic Engagement & Contemporary Social Issues Honors**    Session: **July 5 - July 24**    Site: **Chicago**

Waiver: I, \_\_\_\_\_, hereby waive my right of access to the completed recommendation.

SIGNATURE OF STUDENT

DATE

SIGNATURE OF PARENT

DATE

### To the Teacher

The Center for Talent Development (CTD) at Northwestern University provides educational programs and services for academically talented students in PreK to grade 12. CTD's Civic Leadership Institute combines engaging academic work with community service and hands-on field experiences to help young people develop the knowledge, experience, and leadership skills they need to make a positive impact on society. Students participate in an intensive, academically challenging course in *Civic Engagement & Contemporary Social Issues Honors* that meets five to seven hours per day, five days per week, for three weeks. We would appreciate your thoughtful reflection on whether this student would succeed in this selective program. We have asked the student to provide you with information about the Civic Leadership Institute. With further questions about the program, visit [www.civicleadershipinstitute.org](http://www.civicleadershipinstitute.org) or contact us at 847/467-2572 or [cep@northwestern.edu](mailto:cep@northwestern.edu).

Teacher's Name

FIRST

LAST

Title/Department

School Name

Mailing Address

BOX/ROUTE OR NUMBER AND STREET

CITY

STATE

ZIP

Phone (      )

E-mail

How many years have you known the applicant? \_\_\_\_\_

Please describe your relationship with the applicant including any relevant coursework:

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Please rate this student in the following categories by checking the box that best reflects his/her skills.

Qualities	Exceptional	Good	Below Average	Not Applicable
Intellectual curiosity				
Internal motivation				
Maturity				
Ability to manage stress				
Ability to learn independently				
Academic integrity				
Academic achievement				
Academic potential				
Critical thinking skills				
Interest in service/social issues				
Ability to work with others				
Leadership ability				
Problem solving ability				
Verbal reasoning ability				
Writing ability				

Within the context of your school, how would you characterize the level at which the student is currently working in the social sciences?

- At grade level  
  One grade above  
  Two grades above  
  Don't know

Describe the cohort to which you are comparing this student: \_\_\_\_\_

Please rank the student's likelihood of succeeding in a fast-paced, accelerated summer course:

- Very likely  
  Likely  
  Somewhat likely  
  Not likely

Please attach a letter that responds to the following:

- The student's ability to succeed in the program and curriculum described.
- What the student might contribute to a classroom of academically talented peers.
- The student's maturity and ability to be self-sufficient in residential and social settings.
- Any concerns you might have about the student participating in a rigorous summer academic program.

Thank you for agreeing to submit a recommendation in support of this applicant for admission to the CTD Civic Leadership Institute at Northwestern University. Please place this form and the letter of recommendation in a sealed envelope with your signature over the flap and return it to the student. If this is not possible, mail or fax the recommendation directly to:

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 Civic Leadership Institute Admissions  
 617 Dartmouth Place  
 Evanston IL 60208-4175  
 Fax: 847/467-0880