

# Wilderness Intensive Leadership Development



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## Pastor's or Youth Pastor's Reference Form

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Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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To be completed by the person filling out this reference:

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_ How long have you known the applicant? \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_ In what capacity have you known the applicant? \_\_\_\_\_

Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

How well would you say you know the applicant? \_\_\_\_\_

### Part One

Please describe the applicant by checking as many boxes as apply to him/her in your experience. Provide comments whenever possible.

1. **Maturity in friendships**

- Has difficulty establishing close friendships     Has a few very close friends     Has many friendly acquaintances     Makes new friends easily

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

2. **Awareness of others**

- Aware of his/her impact on others     Thoughtless of others' feelings     Kind manner towards others     Thoughtful and sincere

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

3. **Relationships with the opposite sex**

- Insensitive     Awkward     Comfortable     Thoughtful     Mature

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

4. **Attitude and adaptability**  
 Deals well with change     Flexible     Stubborn     Engaged with peers and activities     Uninterested and activities

**Comments:** \_\_\_\_\_

5. **At work**  
 Relates well to authority figures     Works well alone     Works well with others     Agreeable and Cooperative     Uncooperative

**Comments:** \_\_\_\_\_

6. **At Leisure**  
 Enjoys spending time in large groups     Enjoys solitude     Gets bored     Keeps self busy or entertained

**Comments:** \_\_\_\_\_

7. **As a leader**  
 Takes initiative     Tentative     Assertive     Waits for direction

**Comments:** \_\_\_\_\_

8. **Need for supervision**  
 Self-motivator     Follows instructions well     Sees what needs to be done     Needs consistent supervision and structure

**Comments:** \_\_\_\_\_

9. **Communication skills**  
 Can communicate well with peers     Can communicate well with adults     Quiet and reserved     Verbal and outgoing     Has difficulty expressing self

**Comments:** \_\_\_\_\_

## **Part Two**

1. **The applicant's three most outstanding positive characteristics are:**

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2. **Three pieces of constructive feedback you have given (or would give) to this person**

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**3. What is the applicant's commitment to Christ?**

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**4. Does the applicant's life reflect this commitment? How So?**

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**5. Is there anything about this applicant that his/her camp counselors should be aware of in order to facilitate a good group dynamic and to promote growth?**

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**SUMMARY**

**1. Is this person mature enough SOCIALLY and PERSONALLY to have a good group experience working closely within a group?**

- Mature enough
- Marginal
- It might be best to allow continued maturity before entering the program

**2. Do you have any hesitations or reservation about the applicant's qualifications? If yes, please explain:**

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**OVERALL RECOMMENDATION**

- Recommend without reservation
- Marginal acceptance; have some reservations
- Definitely NOT recommended

**I have reviewed this reference form and to the best of my knowledge, it is an accurate reflection of the applicant.**

Your Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Please return this reference form to:**

Moose River WILD Program  
Christian Camps and Conferences, Inc.  
34 Camp Brookwoods Road  
Alton, NH 03809



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## Teacher's Reference Form

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Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

How well would you say you know the applicant? \_\_\_\_\_

What level of communication have you had within the past 6 months?  None  Surface  Personal  Very personal

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**Comments:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Comments:** \_\_\_\_\_

10. **Finishes assignments on time**  
 With prodding     Rarely     Usually     Always

**Comments:** \_\_\_\_\_

11. **Interest in school and doing quality work**  
 Interested depending on the assignment     Not Interested     Somewhat interested     Always interested

**Comments:** \_\_\_\_\_

12. **Time and personal management**  
 One step behind     Busy, but tries to keep up     Overcommitted     Lackadaisical

**Comments:** \_\_\_\_\_

13. **Alertness**  
 Needs to be woken up     Distracted at times     Engaged     Somewhat engaged

**Comments:** \_\_\_\_\_

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