TO THE APPLICANT

Give this form to the teacher listed on your application. Again, it is preferable that this person is your current science teacher.

Under the provisions of the Family Educational Rights of 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 references for admission. Please indicate your preference below:

☐ I request the right of access to this form.
☐ I waive any right of access that I may have to this reference form.

Applicant’s Name (Print) ____________________________
Applicant’s Signature ____________________________ Date ________________
Applicant’s Phone ____________________________ Email __________________

TO THE REFERENCE

SEA requires students to submit application materials in one full packet. Please return your completed reference form to the applicant at your earliest convenience. SEA operates on a rolling admissions basis, so students are admitted on a first-come, first-served basis. We appreciate your timely attention to this matter. The above-listed student has applied to Sea Education Association’s (SEA’s) High School Summer Seminar.

This three-week summer program at SEA offers motivated high school students the opportunity to study the marine environment from a variety of perspectives – scientific, historical, literary, and nautical. Participants live and study at our campus in Woods Hole, Massachusetts. Programming is scheduled throughout each day, including on most weekend days. Course work includes lectures, discussions, laboratory activities, and field trips; all introducing students to oceanography, the study of history and literature of the sea, and nautical science in an historic and modern context. Teamwork, leadership, and sense of community are the underlying values of SEA’s academic curriculum. Participants grow not only as students, but as global citizens and individuals.

The applicant must be able to work productively in a uniquely structured theoretical and practical learning situation. Socially, s/he must be able to get along with others of varying backgrounds and live in a close proximity community. Your thoughtful response to the questions on the following page will be most helpful.

REFERENCE INFORMATION

I recommend the above-named student for participation in the SEA High School Summer Seminar to which s/he has applied. I have read the description and believe that this student has the academic ability and necessary level of maturity to meet the demands of the program.

Name ____________________________
Department ____________________________
Phone ____________________________
Signature ____________________________

Would you like more information about SEA?  ☐ Yes  ☐ No
☐ If no electronic signature, check this box to verify that the information presented is factually correct and honestly presented by you, the reference

School ____________________________
Position/Title ____________________________
Email ____________________________
Date ________________
(If yes, Mailing Address) ____________________________
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1. Describe your student’s effort in relation to his/her ability.

2. Describe the applicant’s strengths, weaknesses, enthusiasms, and dislikes.

3. Has the applicant demonstrated the ability to work both independently and cooperatively with peers? Please explain.

4. How does the applicant demonstrate his/her maturity and tolerance in relation with others? Please explain.

5. Would you foresee any problems if the applicant were to participate in this program? If so, what?

6. Is there any other information we ought to have?