

LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION

Arrange for a special letter of recommendation concerning your academic qualifications to be sent to the Admissions Office. The person writing this recommendation is to be someone other than a person who provided any other recommendation to the College on your behalf. The special **2-page** form for this letter is part of this Application. Indicate on the form whether or not you wish to have access to the letter after it is submitted, then hand **both pages** of the form to the person you have selected.

ESSAYS

A). Write a **one-page** essay on **each** of the following topics. Please type using a 12-point font, single line spacing, and one-inch margins all around. Use only one side of the paper, use a new page for each topic, write and center each topic at the top of the page, arrange the pages in consecutive order, and staple them together.

1. Your reading habits and your experience with books
2. Your favorite teacher
3. Your two favorite subjects
4. The role or place of beauty in education

B). Additionally, write an essay of **at least five pages** on the following topic: Choose some book you consider to be excellent and write about some important aspect of it. Please type using a 12-point font, double line spacing, and one-inch margins all around. Use only one side of the paper, write a title for your essay and center it at the top of the first page, number the pages, and staple them together.

Although you may wish to have your parents review your essays, they are nonetheless to be your own work, with minimal advice and suggestions from parents, teachers, or other persons.

EVALUATION AND AWARD

Upon receiving all required materials, a committee whose judgment shall be final will review the application and determine an award. This committee is appointed by the Academic Dean and convened by the Director of Admissions.

CERTIFICATION

By my signature below, I certify the following: a) that the information on this form and in my essays is true and complete to the best of my knowledge; and b) that my essays were written by me with minimal advice and suggestions from others. I understand that falsification of this application or misrepresentation of the originality of my essays will subject me prior to enrollment to disqualification from a Merit Scholarship and possibly from admission to Wyoming Catholic College, and after enrollment to return any Merit Scholarship award received and possibly to expulsion.

Applicant Signature

Date

If applicant is under age 18 at the time of applying, a parent or legal guardian must also sign.

Parent Signature

Date

Please mail all completed application materials to:

**Director of Admissions
Wyoming Catholic College
P.O. Box 750
Lander, WY 82520**



Merit Scholarship Letter of Recommendation

APPLICANT'S PORTION

Applicant: Please complete this portion of the form **before giving both pages** to your **Merit Scholarship** reference. Your reference is not to be someone who has provided another recommendation to the College on your behalf.

Applicant's name: _____
Last First Middle

Address: _____
Number and Street City State Zip

Federal law requires that references be made available to applicants unless they agree to waive their right of access. Please indicate your preference below and sign and date this form in the space provided. Applicants who do not indicate a preference will be permitted to read their references should they enroll in the College.

- I waive my right of access to this recommendation: It is to remain confidential now and in the future.
 I do not waive my right of access to this letter: I reserve the right to be shown this letter upon request.

Applicant Signature

Date

RECOMMENDER'S PORTION

Recommender's name: _____
Last First Middle

Address: _____
Number and Street City State Zip

Institution: _____ Title: _____

Phone Number and/or email (*optional*): _____

How long have you known the applicant? _____

In what capacity? _____

Please read the information below before completing and signing the second page of the form.

Instructions and Background Information

The applicant whose name appears above is applying for a Merit Scholarship and has given your name as a reference. We would appreciate a frank statement from you—based on your personal and professional knowledge of the applicant—especially concerning the applicant's **outstanding academic qualifications** and anything else that you think would help us reach a wise decision on this applicant. A careful discrimination between strong and weak characteristics of the applicant would be more helpful than routine praise. We ask you to consider the distinctive character of the College in terms of whether the applicant and the College are a good match.

Wyoming Catholic College is a four-year coeducational Catholic college whose mission is to educate the whole person in his or her three dimensions: physical, intellectual, and spiritual. We accomplish this by immersing our students in the beauty of the outdoors, by introducing them to the wisdom of Western tradition and thought as found in the Great Books and Good Books of the past millennia, and by making them part of a small Catholic community. Our academic curriculum is a traditional liberal arts program. Students will graduate with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Arts.

This unique combination of educational spheres will result in graduates who know there is truth and how to seek it, who know how to think clearly and express their thoughts eloquently, who know how to learn and expect to find delight in learning throughout their lives, and who know how to attain a great measure of happiness by a moral life led in relationship with God.

WCC's liberal arts program comes from a distinguished tradition and is reflected in a carefully designed, chronologically and disciplinarily integrated curriculum that is required of all students. The curriculum embraces history, imaginative literature, writing, reasoning, oratory, Latin, art history, music, mathematics, natural science, philosophy, theology, spirituality, outdoor leadership, and horsemanship. We pride ourselves in offering challenging opportunities for learning that take students into whole new areas of learning, stretching them to discover This unique combination of educational spheres will result in graduates who know there is truth and how to seek it, who know how to think clearly and express their thoughts eloquently, who know how to learn and expect to find delight in learning throughout their lives, and who know how to attain a great measure of happiness by a moral life led in relationship with God.

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Liberal education addresses the whole of life and prepares one to live an intelligent, meaningful, and contributive life in the midst of family, church, and society. A foundational liberal arts program does this by teaching its students an appreciation of all that life offers and by developing those physical, intellectual, and spiritual capacities necessary to enter any walk of life with the expectation of success.

The College is unmistakably Catholic, planted in the deep center of Catholic tradition. The truth sets us free, our Lord says—not only truth discovered by human reason alone, but also and above all revealed Truth, which tells us who we are and who our God is.

While typically the student body of a Catholic college is predominantly Catholic, students of all faiths are welcomed at WCC, as they too, we believe, will greatly benefit from the Catholic dimensions of our College.

Statement of reference

(Attach additional sheets if necessary; you may also write your letter on separate paper, but please always include this signed form in your mailing.)

Recommender Signature

Date

Please mail this statement and any attachments to:

Director of Admissions, Wyoming Catholic College, P.O. Box 750, Lander, WY 82520.