Pastoral Recommendation Form

Adult Applicant: Please fill in only the upper section of this form, apply proper postage to the reverse side, and then give it to your pastor, youth pastor, or staff minister to complete and return to the University of Tennessee.

ADULT APPLICANT NAME ___________________________ DATE FORM GIVEN TO PASTOR __________________

I am applying for the following position at CHIC 2015:

☐ Counselor (Must be at least 21 years old by Sept. 1, 2015, and will have direct responsibility for students)
☐ Staff (Must be at least 19 years old by Sept. 1, 2015, and will serve in various support roles at CHIC)
☐ Extra Support & Special Needs Student Companion (Must be at least 19 years old by Sept. 1, 2015, and will provide one-on-one companion support for a student with special needs. The student I am supporting is: ____________________________)

Pastor, Youth Pastor, or Staff Minister: Please complete this form and return it directly to UT by April 13, 2015. Pastoral recommendations and criminal background checks must be completed for every CHIC adult applicant.

The pastoral reference is critical to the selection process of adults at CHIC 2015. We rely heavily on your personal knowledge and recommendation of the applicant. Please answer all questions candidly and honestly. Be aware that sometimes adult applicants are asked to serve in various roles that differ from the position that they originally apply for. The information provided on this recommendation is confidential. Please print legibly.

1) How long have you known this person? ___________________________

In what capacity? ___________________________

2) Please rate the applicant's abilities in each the following areas to the best of your knowledge

(1=weak, 3=moderate, 5=very strong).

1 2 3 4 5

PHYSICAL CAPABILITIES
Ability to function capably under the rigors of a busy and active schedule ..............................................

RELATIONSHIPS
Ability to communicate and work well with youth and other adults .................................................................
Ability to relate well and initiate relationships with new people .................................................................
Ability to work with and care for people who are different from them ............................................................

SKILLS AND WORK HABITS
Is self-motivated, requiring little supervision to complete an assigned task ..............................................
Ability to work effectively as part of a team .................................................................................................
Ability to show respect for authority ...........................................................................................................

SPIRITUAL / PERSONAL MATURITY
Conveys an open and teachable spirit .................................................................
Gives witness of personal faith in Christ ..............................................................................................
Personal lifestyle is consistent with Christian standards ............................................................................
Has generally high self esteem ..............................................................................................................
Displays high moral and ethical standards ................................................................................................

FOR COUNSELORS ONLY
Ability to relate effectively with high school students ..................................................................................
Ability to lead and facilitate small group discussions ..............................................................................
Ability to be assertive when discipline is needed ...................................................................................
Ability to articulate his/her faith ..............................................................................................................

3) Please select the statement(s) below that best summaries your assessment of the applicant.

☐ This person has much to offer as a Counselor of a group of students, and I highly recommend this person for that role.
☐ This person has much to offer as a member of the Staff team, and I highly recommend this person for that role.
☐ This person has much to offer as a Companion, and I highly recommend this person for that role.
☐ I have reservations about recommending this person to serve at CHIC 2015 for the following reasons:
☐ I do not recommend this person as staff serving at CHIC 2015 in any role.

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CHIC is a triennial conference for high school students sponsored by the Evangelical Covenant Church.
4) Do you have any other comments that may be useful to the assessment and placement process?

Signature ___________________________________________________ Date __________________________
Name ________________________________________________________ Position ________________________
Church ________________________________________________________ Church Phone # ________________

Church Address ________________________________________________ Church Phone # ________________

Please fold and staple so the address below is facing out, and mail directly to the University of Tennessee.

Don’t forget proper postage!