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Forensics Scholarships Reference Form

Applicant's Name _____

Applicant Instructions

1. Ask a teacher or someone who can evaluate your qualifications for a forensics scholarship to complete this recommendation for you. Your reference writer should know you well but should not be a close relative. Along with the reference form, provide the writer with a stamped envelope on which you have written the address listed below so that the reference form can be sent directly to the Financial Aid Office of Scholarships. Also inform the writer of the **December 1** postmark deadline date.
2. If you do not wish to examine this reference at any time, please sign the waiver of rights below. However, if you do wish to examine this reference, the waiver of rights should not be signed.

Waiver of Applicant's Rights:

According to law, a student may waive his or her right to examine any document in his or her file. Failure to waive will not be prejudicial to the student.

By signing this statement, I, the applicant, waive all rights of access to this document.

Student's Signature

Date

Reference Writer Instructions

The above-named applicant is applying for a forensics scholarship. Along with the applicant's application form and essay, the scholarship committee will be reading a reference written by you. Your recommendation will be very important to the scholarship committee as they make the final recipient decisions.

1. Complete this forensics scholarship reference form for the applicant.
2. For applicants who have signed the above waiver of rights box, please send this form directly to the Dordt University Financial Aid Office of Scholarships. Send the completed reference to one of the following addresses, postmarked by **December 1**.

Mail to: Scholarships Office
Dordt University
700 7th St NE
Sioux Center, IA 51250

Email: schowork@dordt.edu

Fax: 712.722.6035 — Attn: Scholarships Office

FORENSICS SCHOLARSHIP REFERENCE FORM

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Please rate the applicant as candidly as possible. Circle the correct number.

Rank according to applicant's peers on the scale listed below.

	Above 95%	Above 90%	Above 75%	Above 50%	Below 50%
Talent	1	2	3	4	5
Work Ethic	1	2	3	4	5
Achievement	1	2	3	4	5

Please evaluate the applicant in relation to the following qualities as exhibited in the applicant's work in either competitive speech/debate or another similar situation.

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| 1 – Excellent | 4 – Poor |
| 2 – Good | 5 – No Evidence |
| 3 – Average | N – Insufficient Evidence for Assessment |

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| 1. Ability to concentrate | 1 2 3 4 5 N |
| 2. Ability to comprehend complex ideas | 1 2 3 4 5 N |
| 3. Ability to think quickly | 1 2 3 4 5 N |
| 4. Ability to speak clearly/intelligently with little preparation | 1 2 3 4 5 N |
| 5. Analytical ability | 1 2 3 4 5 N |
| 6. Intellectual curiosity | 1 2 3 4 5 N |
| 7. Creativity | 1 2 3 4 5 N |
| 8. Interpersonal skills | 1 2 3 4 5 N |

Please rate the applicant in relation to public speaking, as appropriate.

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| 1. Presence | 1 2 3 4 5 N |
| 2. Confidence | 1 2 3 4 5 N |
| 3. Eye contact | 1 2 3 4 5 N |
| 4. Clear diction | 1 2 3 4 5 N |
| 5. Appropriate movement/gestures | 1 2 3 4 5 N |
| 6. Memorization, if applicable | 1 2 3 4 5 N |
| 7. Ability to handle changed circumstances | 1 2 3 4 5 N |

Please make any additional comments you think would be helpful in evaluating this applicant as a candidate for a forensic scholarship. Attach a separate sheet if needed.

Signature: _____ Date: _____