

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT**TO THE APPLICANT**

Name (Last) _____ (First) _____ (Middle) _____

Address _____ Zip Code _____

Phone Number _____

Youth Leadership Forum must receive this form with your completed application by **OCTOBER 1**. Be sure to give both the form and the envelope provided to the person completing the form. The comments will be used for Youth Leadership Forum selection purposes only. Please sign and date the waiver below.

Waiver of Access: I, the undersigned, waive the right of personal access to the reference. _____

TO THE REFERENCE

The person named above is an applicant for Youth Leadership Forum of Birmingham. The Selection Committee attaches considerable weight to the statements made by the references of the applicant. The Committee is aware of the time necessary to prepare such an assessment and gratefully acknowledges your help.

Please return this form before **OCTOBER 1** to the applicant listed above.

Name of Reference _____

Position/Title _____

School/Firm/Organization _____

Mailing Address _____ Zip Code _____

1. For how long and in what capacity have you known the applicant? _____

2. What do you consider the applicant's primary talents or strengths? _____

3. What do you consider the applicant's chief weakness? _____

4. Comment on the applicant's relationships with his or her peers. _____

5. Please use the scale below to compare the applicant with other high school sophomores or juniors you have known.

	Exceptional	Outstanding	Excellent	Good	Average	Poor	Unable to Judge
Character							
Concern for others							
Responsibility							
Leadership							
Initiative							
Curiosity							
Ability to work with others							
Maturity							
Poise							
Oral communication skills							
Persistence and drive							
Interest in community affairs							
Analytical ability							

(Ability to explore problems in an orderly manner and generate alternatives)

6. Please comment generally on the applicant's ability to communicate with others, his or her behavior in a group setting (participant or observer?), interest in community affairs and potential for becoming a community leader. (Attach an additional sheet if necessary.)

SIGNATURE OF REFERENCE

PRINT NAME OF REFERENCE

Please seal this reference in an envelope before returning to student.
