

STUDENT PROFILE

Student Name _____

Student **I.D.** Number _____

Home Telephone Number _____

Part of the college application process frequently includes a letter of recommendation written by the counselor to the college. This letter will draw from the comments submitted on the Student Profile, Parent Insights, and teacher references, and the peer form. (The peer form is optional, but will provide valuable information that colleges like to see.) We will also use your academic record. **Also, please submit an activity resume' that includes activities you have participated in throughout your high school career both on-campus and within the community.** This resume' does not however, take the place of the Student Profile. New this year: **Be sure to include a stamped, addressed envelope for each recommendation you request.**

Because colleges/universities that request a counselor recommendation place great importance on this, we ask that you do the very best you can in completing this profile. The better job you do on the profile, the better we can do with the recommendation. If you prefer to complete the profile using a computer, please indicate to which question/statement you are referring. Last but not least, be sure to make a copy of this profile (as you should with all completed applications) to keep with your records. You may find it helpful as you work on your applications. Good luck, and we look forward to working with you!

How are you feeling about beginning the college application process?

Please describe your academic interests: What really makes you excited in school? For which course(s) would you do the work regardless of grades? Why have these interests developed?

To which colleges/universities are you planning to apply? Please prioritize. (We realize this may change, but this information helps us to be aware of your possibilities.)

What possible college major(s) and/or careers are you considering? Why do these choices attract you?

Describe what you feel is your academic potential for college?

Briefly discuss which of your activities have been the most meaningful to you and why.

What role has your family played in your personal/academic development?

Are there circumstances in your life that have affected your academic record? If yes please explain.

Describe at least one significant event in your life and why this event had an impact on you.

Use three or four adjectives to describe yourself. Why do these adjectives best describe you?

What are your special strengths as a person? Please be specific.

What do you feel you have contributed to the MPHS community?

List any job(s) you have held in the last three years, and the responsibilities assigned to you.

Please discuss anything you would particularly like included in your recommendation.

Please list your extended essay/senior exit topic. Why have you decided on this topic?

PARENT INSIGHTS

One of the most important responsibilities of the college counselors is the writing of the Secondary School Reports, or the letters of recommendation, for seniors. These reports will show each student in as full and as favorable a light as possible. To aid us in constructing these reports, please take the time to respond to this form. We know your child in the context of the school, but your insights from "the home front" can really lend substance and life to any description of your child's personality and character.

CHILD'S NAME

On a separate sheet of paper please write us a letter about your child. Please remember that we already have your child's transcript and that he/she is providing us with a resume' of activities, so you need not dwell on these factors. Please paint a clear picture of your son or daughter. In particular, please note any examples of leadership, commitment, talent, etc. that we may not be privy to. Also, where appropriate, please note any special circumstances that may have affected your child's performance in high school.

Again, we cannot emphasize how valuable your comments can be to us. Specific examples, incidents, or anecdotes are particularly helpful. Perhaps the following questions will help you write the letter.

- *Describe one incident which illustrates the quality in your child which gives you the most pride.
- *Choose two or three adjectives to describe your child and give one specific anecdote to support each adjective.
- *Describe personal interests which may not be otherwise be reported, i.e., avid interest in reading outside of school, athletic abilities, community activities.
- *Assess your child's strengths and weaknesses.

ADDITIONALLY

Are there any special considerations which will affect the decision where to apply (costs, distance from home, personal situations etc.)?

Are there any colleges that you see as particularly suitable for your child?

Teacher evaluation

Student Name _____ ID # _____

Teacher Name _____ Subject _____

Teachers, Please complete the information requested below for the student whose name is listed. We ask that you return this form directly to the counselor, who will keep this information confidential. Your input is very important to us, and we ask that you include comments on how you perceive this student's performance in your class, as well as his/her interaction with other students. Thank you for providing us with your insights. Your information is invaluable to us in writing effective recommendations for our students.

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	Below average	Average	Above average	Excellent (top 10%)	Top 5%	One of top few in career	Unable to judge
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Academic achievement							
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Judgement							
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