Greater Beckley Christian School
PASTOR'S RECOMMENDATION FOR GRADES 6 - 12

TO THE APPLICANT: PLEASE READ BEFORE DISTRIBUTING THIS FORM.

This form should be completed by your pastor and returned by him DIRECTLY to the Office of the Administrator of GBCS. If your father is your pastor, please refer the form to the assistant pastor in your church. If a person other than your pastor or assistant pastor completes the form, an explanation should be provided.

I understand that this confidential statement is being submitted directly to the Office of the Administrator with the understanding that its contents will not be shared with me. I hereby waive my right to see the confidential statement submitted on this form.

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Signature of Applicant

Complete this section and deliver this form to your pastor. The pastor will mail this form DIRECTLY to the Office of the Administrator, Greater Beckley Christian School, PO Box 670, Prosperity, WV 25909.

Applicant's Name _____ Grade _____

Dear Pastor:

Our desire at Greater Beckley Christian School is to be of assistance to the parents in helping them with their God-given responsibility (Psalm 127:3) in training up their children in the way they should go (Proverbs 22:6). In order for us to do an effective job in this area, we need your assistance as the pastor of this family in making sure that our goals and objectives are similar.

We believe that students who choose to live by Christian principles should have a particular kind of school to attend—a school where there is a solid blending of faith and academics. Therefore, we prize students who strive for and maintain high moral and ethical standards and contribute to the quality of life here at Greater Beckley.

The following statement of faith is believed and taught at GBCS, but is by no means all inclusive.

A. The Bible is the inspired Word of God and The Christian's final authority from God (II Timothy 3:16)
B. The birth of Jesus Christ is evidence of His Deity in that He was virgin born and was God in the flesh (Matthew 3:16).
C. The blood of Christ shed on Calvary is the only atonement of man's sin (Hebrews 9:22; 10:12-20; I Peter 1:18,19; I John 1:7).
D. The burial and bodily resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ from the tomb and his ascension into Heaven was a physical fact (Acts 1:11; I Corinthians 15:1-4)
E. The body of Christ, which is called The Church, is the body composed of all believers who by faith have accepted Christ as their personal Savior, and the local church is the physical representation of that spiritual truth here on earth (Ephesians 5).
F. We believe in the blessed hope and the personal pre-millennial return of Jesus Christ (I Thessalonians 4:15-18; Titus 2:13).
G. The Being of the Godhead exists from all eternity to all eternity, a trinity, three persons, but one in substance and in nature (Matthew 28:18, 19; Mark 12:29; John 1:14).
H. The believer is called to a life of consecration, giving evidence to the world that the Lord Jesus Christ saves, keeps, and satisfies (Romans 12:1).

As a part of our commitment to a distinctive lifestyle, Greater Beckley Christian School maintains a prohibition against the use of tobacco, alcoholic beverages, illegal drugs, and physical involvement or behavior unbecoming to a young Christian. We also maintain a modest dress code with reasonable restrictions on hair length and color, body piercing, and extreme make-up.

We trust that these comments will be helpful to you in evaluating the possible match between this student and Greater Beckley Christian School. Please state your opinions and recommendations as clearly, briefly, and honestly as possible. We will keep your comments confidential.

Please complete reverse side

1. How long have you known the applicant? _____ Is the applicant a member of your church? Yes _____ No _____

2. How well do you know the applicant?
   _____ Very close pastoral relationship
   _____ Fairly well—numerous personal contacts
   _____ Casually—few personal contacts
   _____ By name / sight

3. To your knowledge has the applicant made a meaningful personal commitment to Jesus Christ (salvation)?
   Yes _____ No _____ I don't know _____ COMMENTS:

4. Please indicate the family's involvement in church activities.
   _____ Enthusiastic; deeply involved
   _____ Cooperative; usually willing to help
   _____ Seldom participates; although attends regularly
   _____ Attends irregularly; shows little interest

5. What do you believe are the applicant's strong points (include positive personal traits)? _____

   _____

6. What do you believe are the applicant's weak points (include negative personal traits)? _____

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7. Please check the terms which best describe the student and family's attitude toward the church and its activities.
   ____ warmhearted ____ loving ____ sympathetic ____ respectful ____ passive ____ tolerant ____ contemptuous ____ critical

8. What is the applicant's spiritual influence on his peers? _____ positive _____ neutral _____ negative _____unknown

9. To your knowledge, does the applicant use tobacco? _____ drink alcoholic beverages? _____ use illegal drugs? _____
   COMMENTS:

10. Does the applicant have personality traits which impair relationships with others? _____ COMMENTS:

11. Please share any information you may have about the applicant and the applicant's family that would help in our evaluation. This information could cover recent experiences in the applicant's life, or even a general personality appraisal.

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_____ _____
Name of Church **Denomination of Church**

_____
Address

_____ (_____) _____
City **State** **Zip** **Area Code** **Phone Number**

_____
Pastor's Name (please print)

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Pastor's Signature

This form is part of the student's application to Greater Beckley Christian School. Without this completed form, we will be unable to complete the processing of the student's application. Thank you for your prompt attention and assistance.

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