

PARENT ASSESSMENT FORM

I am interested in knowing each student as well as possible so that I can maximize my effectiveness as a college advisor. Please share your thoughts and feelings about your son or daughter by answering the following questions. Be funny, be serious, be honest, and be proud. The more I can learn about your child, the better my ability to help guide them through the college application process. Responses to the Parent Assessment consistently prove to be a valuable resource when I write college recommendations. While I hope you will share your responses with your child, I will treat the information as confidential and will not use it other than to help with recommendations. This will only be used to add depth to the counselor's recommendation. This form is NOT sent on to colleges. If there are any special circumstances of which I should be aware, especially if they had an impact on your child's academic performance, please indicate them at the end of this form. Thank you.

Student Name: _____

Written by: _____ Relationship to student: _____

Contact Information

E-mail: _____ Daytime Phone: _____

College Preferences

Please consider the college/university characteristics that you feel would best meet the needs of your students. Indicate all that apply, and feel free to add explanations or comments. I am interested in your input as well as your child's.

Size of Undergraduate Population

Small (Under 2500) Medium (2501-7500) Large (7501-12,500) Very Large (15,000+) No Preference

Location of Campus

Texas New England Midwest South Southeast Coast Western States
California Outside the US Warm weather only Want to try the cold No preference

Price Range

Not important State School In-state State School Out-of-state Private

Academic Program

School Type

Liberal Arts Engineering/Science Business State University Fine Arts
Pre-professional Other

Tentative Major: _____

Tentative Career Choice: _____

Are there any non-academic considerations you feel are important? (Greek life, sports, study abroad, etc.)

Do you have any specific colleges in mind? If so, please mention them and explain why you think they are appropriate for your child.

Information about Your Student

What adjectives would you use to describe your son or daughter, and why?

His / her greatest personal strength is _____?

Greatest weakness?

What are the most important things you think I should know about your child?

What academic areas are your child's strongest?

How has your child changed or grown while at TAMS?

**What qualities do you respect in your child? What qualities do you feel that their peers respect in them?
In what ways is your child a leader / a follower?**

How does your child respond to criticism or setbacks?

In what ways does your child assume responsibility and personal initiative (household chores/roles, volunteer work, employment, etc.)

Has your child had to overcome any handicaps in order to achieve?

Is there anything you can tell us about your child that might help us know them better? I would welcome any brief anecdotes about your child in which his or her thought and deed are quintessentially theirs. I often use these anecdotes to bring your child to life in my letters of recommendation.