



# North Hastings High School TEACHER REFERENCE FORM

## Northern Environmental Research and Development Studies Program (NERDS)



The NERDS program provides students with skills and knowledge related to careers involving outdoor research and field work. The program is delivered in partnership with local organizations and individuals and is focused on project-based tasks that give students the opportunity to utilize this knowledge and practice these skills. There is a heavy reliance on self-motivation, independent learning, teamwork, and leadership skills.

**Student Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Grade:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Teacher Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

This student has applied for the NERDS program. Your assessment and comments will assist us in determining the student's readiness for this program. Please complete this reference and return it to Mr. Burbidge or Mrs. Drew-Baehre at your earliest convenience. This student's application will be processed when all teacher reference forms have been received.

<b>PERFORMANCE CATEGORY</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>S</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>Comments</b>
<b>ACADEMIC SKILLS</b>					
Communicates with others					
Ability to work independently					
Listens well; asks questions; follows instructions					
Ability and willingness to learn					
<b>PERSONAL MANAGEMENT SKILLS (Attitude and Responsibility)</b>					
Does personal best					
Organizes time, material and equipment well					
Self-motivated, sets goals, shows initiative					
Shows persistence to get the job done					
Good attendance and punctuality					
<b>TEAMWORK</b>					
Leadership ability					
Accepts instruction and/or criticism well					
Adaptable - works well with groups					

Please identify any factors that might need consideration when deciding on suitability of this student.

Would you recommend this student for the NERDS program?  
If NO, please explain:

Yes     No

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Teacher

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Date