

**UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA
SCIENCE QUEST 2017
TEACHER ENDORSEMENT FORM**

Applicant's Name: _____
Endorsement Forms should be in a sealed and signed envelope and be included in the application packet, or sent directly from the teacher by mail, email or fax. The selection process will begin March 17th.

The above-named student is applying for admission to the Science Quest Program at the University of Florida and has requested your endorsement of his/her application. Science Quest is a one-week residential summer program for up to 24 selected students entering 10th grade. Participants will look through "Windows into Science" during separate themed Science Quest weeks. The biological sciences week will focus on subjects such as genetics, zoology, microbiology, entomology, biology, and medical sciences. The physical sciences week will focus on subjects such as physics, engineering, mathematics, and computer science. This is a science enrichment program, and students will be expected to learn, synthesize and apply what they've learned from a wide range of University level research to a culminating group project. Students will be expected to demonstrate a high level of maturity during their UF experience, including living in a UF residence hall with roommates, being able to work in groups, being respectful of other's ideas, and being engaged with UF and Santa Fe College faculty.

Teacher endorsements are vital to the selection process. Teachers know the students well and are the best judge of their potential success at the Science Quest Program. Teacher endorsers who feel strongly about a student's participation are encouraged to write comments or include a letter of recommendation.

How long have you known this student? _____

In what subject have you instructed this student? _____

Please indicate your impression of the student in the areas as follows:

- A. The student has a high degree of curiosity and interest in science/math/engineering and/or scientific research.
Agree 10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 Disagree
- B. The student works well independently, and is capable of being productive with limited supervision.
Agree 10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 Disagree
- C. The student shows respect and appreciation for others, and in general, works well with others.
Agree 10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 Disagree
- D. The student has the maturity and sense of responsibility necessary to work in a high-level research setting.
Agree 10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 Disagree
- E. The student has well-developed interpersonal skills, will ask for help when needed and will offer an opinion when asked.
Agree 10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 Disagree

This student ranks in the Top 1% _____ Top 10% _____ Other _____ % of students I have taught.

Circle one: Highest Recommendation Recommend Recommend with Reservation Do not Recommend

Please provide additional comments on the back or in a letter.

Endorser's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Endorser's Name (printed): _____

Endorser's School: _____

Subjects Taught: _____

Endorser's Phone Number: () - Endorser's E-Mail: _____

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Teacher Endorsement Forms may be emailed to sciquest@cpet.ufl.edu or faxed to 352-392-2344.
Questions? Contact Margarita Hernandez, Coordinator, Science Quest at 352-392-2310 or maggie@cpet.ufl.edu.**