

## Teacher Recommendation Form

This form should be given to two teachers who have taught you in high School

Applicant Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Dear Teacher,

The above student is applying to Maine Coast Semester at Chewonki in Wiscasset, Maine. This school offers highly capable and motivated high school students a challenging, college-preparatory program in a unique living and learning setting for one semester of their junior year. A 400-acre peninsula surrounded by a tidal estuary, Chewonki Neck's pine forests and farm pastures provide the focus for exploration of the relationship between people and the environment. The academic program is rigorous and is designed to support and enrich the junior year curriculum. The buildings are rustic, the atmosphere informal, and our community is small - forty-two students and fifteen faculty members. We jointly share responsibility for all aspects of the school: cooking the food, working on the farm, cutting wood, keeping facilities clean and maintained. We are seeking energetic, imaginative, mature, self-disciplined, talented, community-minded students who are eager to work hard, both in and out of the classroom. Maine Coast Semester is not appropriate for students experiencing emotional or academic challenges. Your recommendation is an important part of our evaluation of this student, and we appreciate your thoughtful and candid assessment of his or her intellectual and personal qualities. Your comments will be held in confidence. Thank you.

**Please answer the following questions as a prompt, or write your own thoughts regarding the applicant's character, initiative, intellectual curiosity, and strengths and weaknesses.**

- How long have you known the applicant and in what capacity?
- Please comment on the student's academic ability and motivation, and on the quality of the student's work.
- Please comment on the student's character and ability to work with and learn from others. Are there elements of Maine Coast Semester that you anticipate may be challenging for the student?
- Do you have concerns about the student's emotional health or ability to live in a close-knit community with limited personal space?

**Please submit your letter of recommendation including your name, position, and contact information, via your school email account directly to Maine Coast Semester at [admissions@chewonki.org](mailto:admissions@chewonki.org) (preferred) or by mail on school letterhead to the address below.** Many thanks for your valuable time and effort completing this recommendation. Your reflections are an important part of the student's application and we will consider them carefully.

Sincerely,  
The Maine Coast Semester Admissions Team

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