

DECATUR HIGH SCHOOL
COLLEGE RECOMMENDATION QUESTIONNAIRE

Dear Senior,

If you are applying to any college, university, or scholarship program, which requires counselor input, we want to do all we can to help you achieve your goal. We are searching for ways to describe you to others without having to parrot back the usual stuff most recommendations include like rank, GPA, activities, honors, etc. We are trying to create a verbal picture of you which will stand out in the mind of the college admissions officer. Please consider the following questions carefully.

Student _____ **Homeroom Advisor** _____

Schedule

Fall Term	Spring Term

Tell me a little about your family? (Occupations, unique characteristics, honors, etc.)

Have you experienced any personal circumstances, which have had a lasting effect on you? Explain.

What are some challenges - academic, social, athletic, or otherwise - which you have overcome or conquered?

What else should I know about you that might help a college admissions officer separate you from the rest of the applicant "pool" he/she is reviewing

What, if anything, have you done which might answer the question, "Has this student done anything academically which illustrates that he/she likes to learn just for the joy of learning?"

List & describe leadership positions you have held. Be specific about what was accomplished under your leadership and what qualities make you an effective leader.

How might your fellow students describe you and which descriptions seem most accurate?

What has been your greatest contribution to your school or community?

Describe your short-range and long-range goals for the future.

Describe any talents, skills, hobbies, &/or interests including your participation in clubs, sports, & other activities, both in & out of school.

Describe your Senior Project. Mentor: _____

List two (2) teachers who are familiar with you as a student.
