



## ***Recommendation Form*** *Spring 2017-Summer 2018 Session*

(This form can be downloaded at <http://austintexas.gov/page/esb-macc-caminos> )

Thank you for supporting your Student for admission into the *ESB-MACC* Teen Leadership Program *CAMINOS*. Candidates must submit their application package by ***Thurs., December 15th.*** This Recommendation Form can be:

1. Emailed directly to [maceducation@austintexas.gov](mailto:maceducation@austintexas.gov) (email titled 'CAMINOS') **Or**
2. Signed, envelope-sealed and submitted by the Student along with the rest of their application packet if mailed-in or hand-delivered.

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### **Contact Information:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Student \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Student:  
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City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

For how long have you known the Student? \_\_\_\_\_

## About the Program

*CAMINOS* is an immersive paid fellowship empowering Austin-area Teens to carve their own path in the creative arts. For a period of 18 months Students will be actively engaged in the various elements of our program which include working with *ESB-MACC* professionals on-site, 1-on-1 artist mentorships, internship assignments with community organizations and participation at relevant workshops and cultural events. This process culminates with the execution of a Student-led collaborative project under the guidance of accomplished creative professionals.

Keeping that in mind, it is important for the ideal candidate to be passionate and curious about pursuing a career in the creative fields (fine arts, audiovisual arts, media, tech, etc.). It is also important that the Student demonstrates interest in *Latinx* social/cultural issues, be trustworthy and more importantly, motivated to explore their growing potential as a vibrant member of our community.

## Student Characteristics

Please help us to identify the Student's strengths and areas of growth as it relates to the categories below. Place an 'x' or checkmark in the most appropriate option:

### Engagement & Reliability

The Student...	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree Somewhat	Agree	Strongly Agree
communicates reliably/always replies to messages & emails.					
demonstrates a willingness to listen and learn from others.					
is often late, tardy or absent.					
supports others and shows empathy.					

**Leadership Style**

The Student...	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree Somewhat	Agree	Strongly Agree
is 'pro-active', often able to foresee needs and solutions.					
is easily distressed by minor tensions.					
thrives working alone with little supervision.					
finds it difficult to follow step-by-step instructions.					

**Creative Enterprise**

The Student...	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree Somewhat	Agree	Strongly Agree
often comes up with great questions/observations about the topic at hand.					
is passionate about sharing creative content and enterprise.					
is enthusiastic about pursuing a career in a creative field.					
welcomes new challenges with an inquiring mind and open disposition.					

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**Questionnaire**

1. What makes this Student a great candidate? Which qualities do you believe set him/her apart?

2. What are areas of growth which the Student should focus on ? Briefly Explain.

3. Write about an interaction that you've had with the Student that helped you to understand him/her better.

4. In what ways do you see the *CAMINOS* program impacting the life of this Student?

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*Additional Comments (optional)*

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*Signature*

If the Student's application is either mailed or delivered in-person, this completed form needs to be signed, envelope-sealed and included along with the rest of their application packet.

Please sign and date below:

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(Teacher/Mentor)

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(Date)

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- If your Student is submitting an online application, you can email Recommendation Forms directly to [maceducation@austintexas.gov](mailto:maceducation@austintexas.gov) (include the word *CAMINOS* in the email subject title).

-This form can be downloaded at <http://austintexas.gov/page/esb-macc-caminos> (no signature needed online).

-All application packages due by Thursday, December 15th. (1st Round finalists will be announced by December 30<sup>th</sup>).



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