

Youth Servant Leader Institute

A ministry of Good Earth Village

REFERENCE FORM

YSLI Applicant _____

The person above is requesting that you evaluate his or her suitability to be a part of our Youth Servant Leader Institute (YSLI). The Institute is a program for high school youth designed to build and strengthen leadership skills. Applicants will participate in a week long leadership camp and four retreats throughout the year. They are also required to develop a service ministry to be implemented in their congregation or community. If you have any questions about this program, please contact Jesse Klosterboer at Good Earth Village, 507-346-2494 or email program@GoodEarthVillage.org.

Please complete this reference form and return by **April 30** to:
Good Earth Village, 25303 Old Town Drive, Spring Valley, MN 55975

Your Name _____ Phone _____

Email _____ How long have you known the applicant? _____

What is your relationship to the applicant? _____

Evaluation Please rank the applicant using the following scale:

0	1	2	3	4
Unable to evaluate	Low	Average	High	Very High
_____	Maturity	_____	Able to relate to children/youth	
_____	Responsibility	_____	Involvement in congregation	
_____	Personable	_____	Able to adapt to new situations	
_____	Personal faith	_____	Leadership ability & experience	
_____	Openness to critique	_____	Able to work independently	
_____	Relates well with peers	_____	Able to work as part of a team	

Please share your insights regarding the applicant in the following areas.

1. What do you see as the applicant's greatest gifts?
2. Share what you can about the applicant's experience and ability to work with children, youth and adults.
3. Would you be willing to have your children under the applicant's supervision in a congregational setting? If not, why?
4. Is the applicant able to share his or her faith with others through devotions, worship and Bible study?
5. Is this applicant reliable? Will this applicant show up on time, follow through and be responsible?
6. What concerns do you have about the applicant's ability to serve as a part of this program?
7. To your knowledge, does the applicant have any tendency toward child or sexual abuse?
8. How do you see your congregation or community supporting this applicant as they participate in this program?
9. Your overall evaluation of the applicant and his/her suitability for this program?

Signature _____ Date _____