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COUNTRY DAY SCHOOL

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APPLICATION PACKET MIDDLE SCHOOL



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## Admission Process

### Middle School, grades 5 through 8

Thank you for your interest in applying to The Summit Country Day School. The Summit seeks to enroll students who are prepared to be successful academically and contribute positively to The Summit community as a whole.

The Summit accepts applications for the Middle School throughout the year and decisions are made on a rolling admission basis, space permitting. Applicants to the Middle School are required to submit a completed application in order for the Admission Committee to render a decision. A completed application includes the following: application forms along with \$50 processing fee, entrance testing, school records and the appropriate recommendations. An applicant photo is optional, but appreciated.

The following chart outlines each step in the admission process. Please feel free to call our Admission Office, if we can provide clarification or assistance.

REQUIRED	APPLICANT
Application and \$50 fee	<input type="checkbox"/>
Student application	<input type="checkbox"/>
Parent recommendation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Principal/Counselor recommendation	<input type="checkbox"/>
English recommendation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mathematics recommendation	<input type="checkbox"/>
School records for previous two years and current grades	<input type="checkbox"/>
Entrance testing and \$25 fee (to be scheduled through the Admission Office)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Visit with current student, Knight Shadow, (to be scheduled through the Admission Office)	<input type="checkbox"/>

Application materials should be mailed to:

**OFFICE OF ADMISSION**  
The Summit Country Day School  
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Name of relatives who are alumni/ae, or who now attend The Summit:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name and class Relationship

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name and class Relationship

How did you learn of The Summit? \_\_\_\_\_

Current school: \_\_\_\_\_  Independent  Public  Parochial

Head of school: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name Title

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street

City State Zip Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Others schools to which applicant is applying:

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_

Has your son or daughter been under the care of a physician, counselor, psychologist, or similiar professional within the last five years? If so, please explain:  
\_\_\_\_\_

Has the applicant undergone any special educational or psychological testing?  Yes  No  
If yes, please submit results and reports from testing with this application.

### FINANCIAL AID

Financial aid is available for students applying to kindergarten through grade twelve. Families interested in financial aid should complete the Parent's Financial Statement (PFS) and list The Summit as a recipient. The form may be obtained from The Summit Country Day School Office of Admission. Families may also apply for financial aid online at [www.nais.org](http://www.nais.org). Financial aid is awarded to families who qualify based on need and meet The Summit's Financial Aid Policies and Procedures. The Financial Aid Committee of The Summit reviews all financial aid applications and makes recommendations to the Head of School. Priority consideration will be given to those who submit their financial aid application by February 1. Notification of financial aid awards will be sent beginning in March. A student must be officially accepted for admission to The Summit before receiving a financial aid award. **Please check if you wish to receive an application for financial assistance.**

### ADMISSION PROCESS

A conference with parent(s) and student along with a tour, appropriate recommendations and a review of educational records are required for completion of the application process. I give The Summit Country Day School Admission personnel and/or school psychologist permission to test the above applicant.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent signature Date

- Enclosed is \$75 nonrefundable application and testing fee.
- Enclosed is \$25 nonrefundable testing fee.
- Enclosed is \$50 nonrefundable application fee.

Make checks payable to:  
The Summit Country Day School

The information contained in this application is true and accurate. I also understand that any falsification or omissions to the application will disqualify my child from further consideration and/or prompt withdrawal of any offer of admission.

Parent or guardian signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

For information call the **OFFICE OF ADMISSION** (513) 871-4700 • Kelley K. Schiess, Director  
The Summit Country Day School admits educationally qualified students of any gender, race, color, religion, national or ethnic origin.

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## STUDENT APPLICATION

Applicant's name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade applying for: \_\_\_\_\_

Enrollment at The Summit Country Day School constitutes a real commitment on the part of the student. In order to make the most of a Summit education, you must commit to a course of challenging academics and strive to be involved in a variety of activities, which together make the educational experience so valuable. We believe this commitment should begin at the time of application. We ask that you answer the following questions thoughtfully, candidly and *in their entirety*. **Please handwrite the final draft of your thoughts on these questions in the space provided.**

List any academic honors/awards you have received in the last two years:

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**Please respond to the items below with special emphasis on your significant activities of the *last two years*. Be as specific as possible in *listing* your activities.**

Athletics (please list years played, position(s), level, plus future interest):

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Music, drama, art, writing, hobbies:

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Other activities/organizations in school, your church, or community (include any leadership roles):

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**Please answer all of the following in complete sentences.**

1. Describe the qualities of the best teacher you ever had and why he/she was so special.

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2. Describe a person you admire or who has influenced you a great deal.

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3. Consider your interests outside of the classroom. To which do you devote the most time and energy?

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4. Why do you think attending The Summit would be a positive experience?

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5. What event in your life has had the greatest influence on making you the person you are today?

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6. Describe the unique qualities you would bring to The Summit community.

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**Please list the two current teachers from whom you will request an evaluation.**

English: \_\_\_\_\_ Math: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Parent or Guardian Recommendation

For students seeking admission to grades 5 through 8.

Applicant's name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

The student named above is an applicant for admission to The Summit Country Day School, a college preparatory school. In order to consider applicants carefully, we ask the parents/guardians to evaluate their child's strengths and weaknesses. This information will be held in strict confidence. We appreciate and thank you for your cooperation.

Rate your child's willingness to follow school rules: Excellent  Average  Poor

Has he/she been a discipline problem in or out of school? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, please explain how: \_\_\_\_\_

Rate your child's ability to get along with others: Excellent  Average  Poor

Has he/she ever been suspended or expelled from school? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, please explain why: \_\_\_\_\_

Has he/she, to your knowledge, ever used illegal drugs or alcohol? \_\_\_\_\_

In summary, how would you rate your child?

	Truly outstanding	Excellent	Good	Average	Below average	Poor
As a student:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
As a person:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Please add any comments about his/her achievements that you feel will be useful in evaluating his/her general potential:

Name of parent or guardian (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

The information contained in this application is true and accurate. I also understand that any falsification or omissions to the application will disqualify my child from further consideration and/or prompt withdrawal of any offer of admission.

Signature of Parent or Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Thank You!

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## Principal or Counselor Recommendation

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How long has this student been at your school? \_\_\_\_\_ Do you know this student personally? \_\_\_\_\_

Rate this student's willingness to follow school rules: Excellent  Average  Poor

Has he/she been a discipline problem at your school? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, please explain how: \_\_\_\_\_

Rate this student's ability to get along with others: Excellent  Average  Poor

Has he/she ever been suspended or expelled from your school? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, please explain why: \_\_\_\_\_

Has this student, to your knowledge, ever used illegal drugs or alcohol? \_\_\_\_\_

Has this student taken the Ohio Proficiency Test? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No If yes, please fill in below P = Pass or F = Fail:

Writing \_\_\_\_\_ Reading \_\_\_\_\_ Math \_\_\_\_\_ Science \_\_\_\_\_ Citizenship \_\_\_\_\_

Please add any comments about his/her achievements that you feel will be useful in evaluating his/her general potential:

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For academic ability and promise, I recommend the candidate:

( ) Enthusiastically ( ) Strongly ( ) Fairly strongly ( ) With reservation

For character and personal promise, I recommend the candidate:

( ) Enthusiastically ( ) Strongly ( ) Fairly strongly ( ) With reservation

## Parent/School Relationship

Parents are an important part of our relationship with the student. Please share with us any thoughts you have regarding this applicant's family, including involvement in your school:

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To your knowledge, is the parents' perception of their child compatible with the school's understanding of the child? Please comment:

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Which word(s) best describe the parents in regard to their child?

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Please explain:

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Additional comments:

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Name of person completing this form: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_ School: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you!

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## English Teacher Recommendation

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**Applicant's name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Grade applying for:** \_\_\_\_\_

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How long have you known the applicant and in what capacity? \_\_\_\_\_

When you think of this student, what words come to mind? \_\_\_\_\_

Briefly describe the content of your course (texts used, topics covered, homework assignments).

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What is the reading material assigned in the course, and how often are students given essay assignments?

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What are the student's academic strengths and weaknesses?

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Please evaluate the student in the following areas, marking the scale where appropriate. In addition, specific examples or comments will greatly help the candidacy of the student.

### Work Habits

Well-organized and efficient

Usually prepared

Needs some guidance

Disorganized and careless

No basis for judgement

**Industry and Initiative**

- Genuine eagerness to learn
- Conscientious but not inspired
- Meets basic requirements
- Needs constant pressure
- No basis for judgement

**Relation of Achievement to Ability**

- Over-achiever
- Achievement consistent with capacity
- Irregular achievement pattern
- Achievement far below capacity
- No basis for judgement

**Class Involvement**

- Always constructively involved
- Politely attentive but rarely involved
- Talks a lot but makes no positive contribution
- Too easily distracted; non-contributor
- No basis for judgement

**Sensitivity**

- Generally considerate, sympathetic
- Usually considerate and responsive
- Basically indifferent
- Self-centered
- No basis for judgement

**Integrity and Dependability**

- Consistently trustworthy
- Generally dependable and cooperative
- Fulfills obligations only when convenient
- Not dependable
- No basis for judgement

**Leadership**

- Positive influence
- Capable of leadership but isn't a leader
- Always a follower
- Negative influence as a leader
- No basis for judgement

**Citizenship**

- A very solid citizen, cooperative
- Fairly mature, well-mannered
- Cooperates only when serves personal interest
- Immature, unreliable, often in trouble
- No basis for judgement

**Associations**

- Friends are class leaders
- Friends are wholesome but not outstanding
- Few close friends, a loner
- Friends are unwholesome and troublesome
- No basis for judgement

Does the student exhibit any behavior problems of which we should be aware? \_\_\_\_\_

Name of teacher (please print) \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Name and address of school: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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How long have you known the applicant and in what capacity? \_\_\_\_\_

When you think of this student, what words come to mind? \_\_\_\_\_

Briefly describe the content of your course (texts used, topics covered, homework assignments).

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Describe the student's ability in problem-solving, computation, and dealing with abstract concepts.

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Do you feel the student has mastered the material covered in the course in which you have taught him/her? If not, in what area does the student need improvement?

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\*For students entering 7th grade only\* Has this student had a full year of Pre-Algebra?  Yes  No

What is your recommendation for this student for 7th Grade?  Pre-Algebra  Algebra I

What is your recommendation for this student for 8th Grade?  Algebra I  Geometry

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E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Name and address of school: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Transcript Release Form

### To the school

Please place the following items in the envelope provided and mail to The Summit Country Day School.

- Transcripts covering previous two years including current grades
- Standardized testing
- Any special educational or psychological testing

In addition, so that we may further understand the student's transcript, please send any information regarding your school's grading system, the symbols used, etc.

### To the parent or guardian

Please sign below to release school records.

Applicant's name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

*I hereby authorize that my son/daughter's school transcript and records be released to the Admission Office of The Summit Country Day School.*

Signature of parent or guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



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## Entrance Test Information

For students entering grades 5 through 8.

Applicants to The Summit Country Day School are encouraged to attend a full day of classes, Knight Shadow, and are required to take our entrance test. Parents are encouraged to attend a Middle School Parent Preview Day. Please return this form to note your interest in a Knight Shadow, Middle School Parent Preview Day, or a testing date. A check for the \$25 nonrefundable testing fee should be included if you wish to participate in entrance testing. In order to formally apply to The Summit, a completed application and nonrefundable \$50 fee should be returned to the Admission Office. Please contact the **Office of Admission** with any questions.

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## KNIGHT SHADOW, MIDDLE SCHOOL PARENT PREVIEW DAYS AND ENTRANCE TESTING REGISTRATION FORM

Applicant's name: \_\_\_\_\_

- The above applicant is interested in a Knight Shadow.
  
- We plan to attend the Middle School Parent Preview Day on:  
\_\_\_\_\_ November 12, 2009, at 8:45 a.m.  
\_\_\_\_\_ February 23, 2010, at 8:45 a.m.
  
- The above applicant will take the Entrance Test on:  
\_\_\_\_\_ December 5, 2009, at 8:30 a.m.  
\_\_\_\_\_ February 27, 2010, at 8:30 a.m.  
\_\_\_\_\_ March 20, 2010, at 8:30 a.m.
  
- A check for \$25 is enclosed. (Please make checks payable to The Summit Country Day School.)

Parent's signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_



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