



## 2011 RECOMMENDATION FORM

Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_

The student above is applying for membership to the Dickerson Park Zoo's Venturing volunteer program. We appreciate your candid responses to the questions below, which will be kept confidential. As a member of the Venture Crew, the student will have an opportunity to work with zookeepers learning the care and management of a wide variety of exotic species. The volunteer opportunities will be year-round. This reference form must be mailed directly to the zoo in the provided preaddressed stamped envelope.

We appreciate your time and assistance. If you have any questions about the program, please contact April Marler (amarler@springfieldmo.gov, 417-833-4138).

Teacher's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

School \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Subjects Taught \_\_\_\_\_

1. When did you last teach this student? \_\_\_\_\_

2. In what capacity and for how long have you known this student? \_\_\_\_\_

3. Do you know of any special interests, qualities, abilities or experiences of this applicant which would be helpful for us to know?

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4. Do you feel this student would be able to commit to working 16 hours per month at the zoo?

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5. Please evaluate the student to the best of your abilities by circling the appropriate number/letter.

1=Outstanding 2=Excellent 3=Good 4=Average 5=Fair 6=Below Average U=Unknown

Communication Skills.....	1	2	3	4	5	6	U
Common Sense .....	1	2	3	4	5	6	U
Creativity.....	1	2	3	4	5	6	U
Dependability .....	1	2	3	4	5	6	U
Self-Motivation.....	1	2	3	4	5	6	U
Regard for Authority.....	1	2	3	4	5	6	U
Cooperation.....	1	2	3	4	5	6	U
Ability to Follow Directions .....	1	2	3	4	5	6	U
Problem Solving Skills .....	1	2	3	4	5	6	U
Safety Awareness.....	1	2	3	4	5	6	U

Additional Comments:

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Teacher's Signature

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Date