



## GEM Student Recommendation Form

This student is applying for the GEM (Growing Early Minds) program at WCATY (Wisconsin Center for Academically Talented Youth at UW-Madison). The GEM program is designed as an academic exploration for curious learners looking for additional enrichment opportunities, as well as for those students seeking an additional challenge in targeted content areas. Students will participate in a program with other like-minded students in an accelerated **or** enrichment environment in a course of the student's choice. Please visit our website at: [www.wcaty.wisc.edu](http://www.wcaty.wisc.edu) for individual course descriptions and expectations. Your candid and thoughtful appraisal of the student's openness to this type of experience is appreciated.

- Recommenders should be adults who have worked closely with the student applicant in an academic/enrichment setting.
- If you would prefer that your Letters of Recommendation remain confidential, please submit directly to WCATY.

**Student's Name:** *First:* \_\_\_\_\_ *Last:* \_\_\_\_\_ *Current Grade:* \_\_\_\_\_

**Student's Course Selection:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Recommender Info:** *Name:* \_\_\_\_\_ *Title:* \_\_\_\_\_

*School:* \_\_\_\_\_ *Address:* \_\_\_\_\_ *Day Phone:* \_\_\_\_\_

*E-Mail:* \_\_\_\_\_ *How long & in what capacity have you known this student?* \_\_\_\_\_

**Please provide 3-4 sentences below, using the prompts provided, to help us get to know this student better:**

*Please describe areas of academic or personal growth where you believe the student has made significant progress.  
Please list any areas where the student is performing above grade level and/or shows particular aptitude or interest.  
What adjectives readily come to mind when describing this student?*