



**ISLAND CATHOLIC SCHOOLS**  
**International Student Program**  
**English Teacher's Recommendation**

**TO THE APPLICANT:**

After filling in your name and current grade below, give this form to your English Teacher.

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

Current Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

**TO THE ENGLISH TEACHER:**

Your student named above has applied for admission to one of the Island Catholic Schools on Vancouver Island. We can best assist students with correct course placement by having as much information as possible about their language proficiency.

**General Information**

1. How long have you known him/her? \_\_\_\_\_
2. In which language do you instruct the student? \_\_\_\_\_

**Reading Comprehension**

Given an English book, the student's reading level would be:

\_\_\_ Beginner                      \_\_\_ Junior                      \_\_\_ Intermediate  
\_\_\_ High Intermediate            \_\_\_ Advanced                      \_\_\_ Not able to read English

**Writing Ability**

If asked to write a short essay in English about his/her own interests, the student's writing level would be:

\_\_\_ Beginner                      \_\_\_ Junior                      \_\_\_ Intermediate  
\_\_\_ High Intermediate            \_\_\_ Advanced                      \_\_\_ Not able to write English

**Verbal Comprehension**

Please speak to the student conversationally to determine his/her ability to comprehend spoken English.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Advanced:** Student can understand everything that is said and can converse using a sophisticated vocabulary and correct sentence structure.

\_\_\_\_\_ **High Intermediate:** Responses, although not perfect, come naturally. Has good vocabulary and can communicate without problem.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Intermediate:** Student understands basic language and most conversation. Thinks quickly, but is still translating. Can carry on a basic conversation without difficulty.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Junior:** Student understands basic sentences. Grammar is poor, but understanding is fairly good. A few weeks in total immersion will improve his/her ability rapidly.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Beginner:** Students understands a few words and phrases, but has little ability to share his/her thoughts clearly. Student may even refuse to use the language.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Has not studied English.**

**Recommendation:**

I recommend this student:

With reservation

Strongly

Enthusiastically

Teacher's Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please Print)

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

School: \_\_\_\_\_

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

*Please return this completed form to your student in a sealed envelope. The student must include this recommendation form with the Application Form to us.*