

BYU CHINESE STARTALK APPLICATION
2008
Teacher Recommendation

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Please rate this student relative to his/her peers on each of the following nine attributes. On this scale one indicates a relative weakness and a five indicates strength.

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| 2. Emotionally well adjusted | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 3. Good social skills (kind, cooperative) | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 4. Willing to take on new challenges | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 5. Respectful of teachers and peers | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
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| 8. Cooperative/follows rules | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 9. Intellectual ability | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |

In a short, confidential letter please tell us how you think this student might benefit from and contribute to STARTALK's success. Please attach the rating form to your letter and mail to

BYU STARTALK
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Brigham Young University
3089 JFSB
Provo, UT 84602

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Sincerely,



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