



The *Link* School

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18885 CR. 367
Buena Vista, CO 81211
P 719.395.7704
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Personal Information

Student's Name _____
First Middle Last/surname Preferred or nickname Jr./etc.
(may be used on school records)

Date of Birth _____ Male Female Student's SSN: _____
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Student's Passport #: _____ Passport issue date: _____ Expiration date: _____

Home address _____
Mailing address City
State/Province Zip/postal code Country (if not USA)

Home Phone _____ Student Cell Phone _____ Student Email _____

Date of proposed entrance to The Link School Fall 20____ Other _____

Applying for 9th 10th 11th 12th

Last or current grade in school _____ Has the applicant ever skipped or repeated a grade? If so, when? _____

School Information

Please list all schools the applicant has attended in the last three years (starting with the most recent):

Name of school (Address, city, state, zip)	Director/Principal	Dates attended	Grade (K-12) in school	Phone numbers (please include area code)

Please include transcripts, standardized test scores from the past 2 years with your application along with any IEP you may have had.

Family Information

Father's name _____
Prefix First Middle Last/surname Jr./etc

Married Separated Divorced Remarried (current spouse full name _____) Widowed Deceased

Address _____
Mailing address City State/province Zip/postal code Country (If not USA)

Home phone () _____ Fax () _____ Cell () _____

Business phone () _____ Email address _____

Father's occupation _____ Employer _____

Mother's name _____
Prefix First Middle Last/surname Jr./etc

Married Separated Divorced Remarried (current spouse full name _____) Widowed Deceased

Address _____
Mailing address City State/province Zip/postal code Country (If not USA)

Home phone () _____ Fax () _____ Cell () _____

Business phone () _____ Email address _____

Mother's occupation _____ Employer _____

Applicant lives with (check all that apply): Father Mother Both Guardian Other

Where should admissions materials be sent? Father Mother Both Guardian Other

Where should conference reports/grades be sent? Father Mother Both Guardian Other

Where should bills be sent? Father Mother Both Guardian Other

Divorced or separated? Who has legal custody? Father Mother Both Guardian Other

If anyone else shares or has legal responsibility for the applicant, please give the following information:

Legal guardian's name _____ Relationship _____

Address _____
Mailing address City State/province Zip/postal code Country (If not USA)

Home phone () _____ Fax () _____ Cell () _____

Business phone () _____ Email address _____

Is this person a Christian Scientist? Yes No

Please list the names of other children in the family:

Name _____ M / F Birthdate _____ Present Grade _____

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For Parents

• Has the applicant ever been dismissed, disciplined, placed on probation, or suspended from school or camp?
 Yes No If "Yes", please attach a letter of explanation.

• The Link School's expeditions, projects and service work will be physically demanding, is the applicant currently experiencing a physical or emotional challenges that might limit participation in these activities? If so, please explain. Use additional paper if necessary.

• Is the applicant experiencing challenges with their school and/or academic experience? If so, please explain. Use additional paper if necessary.

• Is there anything unusual about the applicant's home life? If so, please explain. Use additional paper if necessary.

• Please give reasons for wanting your child to attend The Link School. Use extra paper if necessary.

Christian Science Information

The following questions apply to those with whom the applicant is now living.

Is the applicant's Father stepfather a Christian Scientist? Yes No

Is he a member of The Mother Church? Yes No Branch Church? Yes No Class taught? Yes No

If he is not a Christian Scientist, is he active in another church? _____ If so, which? _____

Is he willing for the applicant to receive Christian Science treatment for health needs? _____

Is the applicant's Mother stepmother a Christian Scientist? Yes No

Is she a member of The Mother Church? Yes No Branch Church? Yes No Class taught? Yes No

If she is not a Christian Scientist, is she active in another church? _____ If so, which? _____

Is she willing for the applicant to receive Christian Science treatment for health needs? _____

For Students:

Please answer the following questions *in your own handwriting*. Additional paper may be used and attached.

1. What are your primary interests and activities? _____

2. What experience do you have with:

a. Outdoor activities _____

b. Service work? _____

c. Sports _____

d. Hobbies _____

e. Photo/arts/music _____

3. Have you ever lived away from home at a boarding school, camp or traveled? If so, what was that like for you? _____

4. Please tell us a bit about your family. _____

5. a. What are your main reasons for applying to The Link School? _____

b. What could you gain from attending The Link School? _____

c. What could you give at The Link School (i.e. character strengths)? _____

6. Are there any specific things you are sorting through right now in relation to smoking, drinking, drugs, relationship choices, etc.? _____

7. a. Do you consider yourself as a student of Christian Science? Yes No If no, please explain. _____

- b. Do you attend a Christian Science Sunday School? _____ How often? _____
- c. Are you a member of The Mother Church and/or a branch church? _____
- d. Do you use spiritual care for health care and other needs? _____
- e. Please share a recent healing experience. _____

- f. How do you use Christian Science in your day-to-day life? _____

8. a. What are your academic strengths? _____

- b. What areas need improvement? _____

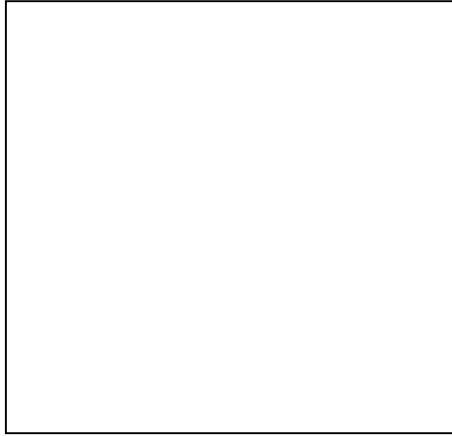
9. Tell us about any school-sponsored programs, clubs, student government, or community service in which you have participated. _____

10. How did you hear about Link? _____

Additional application steps:

- Include the \$50 application fee with this application.
- Include transcripts from all previous high schools attended, or, if not yet in high school, your previous 2 years of school
- Please distribute reference forms to appropriate people (these can be found on our website)
- Call to schedule an interview with The Link School – 719-395-6797

Please attach photo of applicant.



Checklist for completing The Link School application

- Please be sure all questions are answered fully.
- Please include a picture of the applicant when you return the completed application.
- Sign the application. If only one parent has full legal custody, only that parent's signature is necessary. Otherwise, both parents' signatures are required. Legally separated or divorced parents will need to send a copy of the final agreement regarding custody.
- Request an official copy of grades (showing the last two full years' work plus the current year's) and the most recent standardized test scores for the applicant.
- Hand out three reference forms – there are 2 kinds, an academic reference and a general reference. Please hand out 1 academic reference to a teacher who knows you well. Please hand out 1 general reference, and then 1 more to a person of your choice.
- Read The Link School Standards and discuss together the importance of supporting them. Then complete and sign the back page of the application form.
- Complete the student essays.
- Complete the parent essay.
- Request that all academic records and reference forms be sent to The Link School as soon as possible: 18885 CR 367, Buena Vista, CO 81211; fax - 719-395-6797; email to Natalie@thelinkschool.org.



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Student Reference: General

Student's name _____ Evaluator's name _____

Evaluator's Email address _____ Phone () _____

In what capacity do you know the student? _____

We would appreciate your assistance in completing this reference form as part of the student's application. Your evaluation will be kept confidential and will be used for admissions purposes only. Please return your reference as soon as possible.

Core curriculum of The Link School: Academics, Individual Projects, Expeditions, Service Work and Spiritual Development

1. Do you feel this curriculum would be a good fit for this student?

2. Are you aware of anything that would limit their involvement in any of the 5 key components?

3. What is your perception of this student's readiness for a residential high school environment?

4. If you are familiar with the student's faith, do you know if he/she studies Christian Science on his/her own initiative?
Please give an example.

5. How do you regard the student's citizenship (willingness/ability to get along with others, respect for rules, leadership potential, etc.)?

6. What positive qualities or talents do you see the student contributing to his/her overall experience at The Link School?
7. Are you familiar enough with the student's home, social and school life to know if there is anything unusual that we should know about in order to work effectively with the student?
8. Are you aware of any reason why The Link School should be cautious about accepting the student? .
9. Is there any additional information you would like to provide which would be helpful to us as we consider this student?
10. How do you support this student's application to The Link School?

Strongly recommended Recommended Recommended with reservation Do not recommend

Signature _____ Date _____

Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip/postal code _____ Country _____



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Student Reference: from a Teacher

Student's name _____ Teachers' name _____

Teacher's Email address _____ Phone () _____

What subject do you teach? _____ How long have you known this student? _____

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1. Which adjectives or qualities come to mind when considering this student?

2. Many aspects of Link's program ask students to work independently. Please comment on your perception of the student's motivation and ability to complete tasks independently.

3. Do you think a residential high school environment would be a good fit for this student?

4. How do you regard the student's citizenship (willingness/ability to get along with others, respect for rules, leadership potential, etc.)?

5. What positive qualities or talents do you see the student contributing to his/her overall experience at The Link School?

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Academic Specifics - if you have knowledge of the following:

1. Please comment on the student's writing abilities (i.e. - ability to organize ideas; understanding of the basic essay form and experience with defending a thesis; correct usage of grammar, spelling, and punctuation; and experience with creative writing).
2. Please comment on the student's reading experience (i.e. - comprehension level, ability to read independently, experience with reading analysis, recent books read).
3. Please comment on the student's math and science aptitude.

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