



## RECOMMENDATION FORM

**RECOMMENDER:** The Hk Maker Lab is an intensive six-week summer program developed to introduce students to the engineering design process. Focusing on addressing a global health problem, the students will prototype and test their biomedical devices and develop an associated business plan. The program will culminate in a presentation to leading members of the biomedical community. The Hk Maker Lab projects might then be incubated using the state-of-the-art facilities at Harlem Biospace. The training provided to the students will be a condensed version of the Biomedical Engineering (BME) design process utilized by students in the undergraduate BME Senior Design course at Columbia University. The goals of the Hk Maker Lab are to enhance STEM training through:

- Introducing students to the engineering design process and having them employ this process in the development of solutions to biomedical problems
- Engaging students in the identification of and development of solutions to real-world biomedical problems
- Introducing students to technological tools and techniques that can be used to create biomedical solutions
- Improving students' ability to convey scientific knowledge through oral and written communication

For more information on the program, visit [www.hypothekids.org/hk-maker-lab](http://www.hypothekids.org/hk-maker-lab)

**PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS TO HELP US UNDERSTAND MORE ABOUT THE APPLICANT.**

**NAME OF APPLICANT:** \_\_\_\_\_

**NAME OF RECOMMENDER:** \_\_\_\_\_

**TELEPHONE NUMBER:** \_\_\_\_\_ **E-MAIL:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_

1. **WHAT IS YOUR RELATIONSHIP TO THE APPLICANT? HOW LONG HAVE YOU KNOWN HIM OR HER?**

2. **IN COMPARISON TO OTHER STUDENTS IN HIS OR HER CLASS YEAR, HOW DO YOU RATE THE APPLICANT IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS:**

	EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	POOR	NO BASIS
ACADEMIC ABILITY						
LEADERSHIP						
PERSEVERANCE						
TEAMWORK						
MATURITY						
QUANTITATIVE ANALYSIS						
ORAL COMMUNICATION						
WRITTEN COMMUNICATION						

3. **IN SUPPORT OF YOUR RESPONSES IN QUESTION 2, PLEASE DESCRIBE A SITUATION IN WHICH THE APPLICANT DEMONSTRATED THE STATED COMPETENCY IN YOUR CLASS, THE SCHOOL, AND/OR COMMUNITY:**

- a. **LEADERSHIP**
- b. **PERSEVERANCE**
- c. **TEAMWORK**

4. **WHY DO YOU FEEL THAT THIS APPLICANT SHOULD BE ACCEPTED TO THE HK MAKER LAB PROGRAM?**

5. **WHAT CHALLENGES, IF ANY, DO YOU FORESEE THE APPLICANT ENCOUNTERING DURING THE COURSE OF THE PROGRAM?**

6. **PLEASE WRITE ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION YOU WOULD LIKE TO SHARE ABOUT THIS STUDENT. WE WELCOME ALL INFORMATION THAT WILL HELP US TO DIFFERENTIATE THIS STUDENT FROM OTHERS.**

**I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION PROVIDED BELOW IS ACCURATE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**SIGNATURE**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**DATE**

## **SUBMITTING YOUR RECOMMENDATION**

**PLEASE HAVE THE STUDENT UPLOAD THE RECOMMENDATION LETTER THROUGH THE ONLINE APPLICATION PORTAL OR ALTERNATIVELY, EMAIL YOUR RECOMMENDATION AS AN ATTACHMENT TO DEVIN WILSON at [hello@hypothekids.org](mailto:hello@hypothekids.org) BY 11.59 PM, ON FEBRUARY 19, 2017. IF YOU CHOOSE TO EMAIL AS AN ATTACHMENT, PLEASE LABEL IT WITH THE STUDENT'S LAST NAME , FIRST NAME, THEN \_RECOMMENDATION. FOR EXAMPLE, "SMITH, JOHN\_RECOMMENDATION."**

**IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE RECOMMENDATION, PLEASE EMAIL THE HK MAKER LAB RECRUITMENT TEAM AT [hello@hypothekids.org](mailto:hello@hypothekids.org)**