



June 11-15, 2012

City on a Hill 2012 Application

*Complete this application form (type or print), making sure to provide all required information, and mail to Family First at 610 J Street, Suite 10, Lincoln, NE 68508. With this application you are also required to submit two essays and an activities list for the questions listed on the next page, as well as return two reference forms, and a **\$25 deposit** (payable to Family First; refundable if your application is not selected) to be applied to the tuition fee. Reference forms may accompany the application or be mailed separately.*

*Before you can be considered for admission to City on a Hill, all materials must be received by the **application deadline of May 15**. Applications received by **March 30** will receive a \$20 discount on final tuition.)*

Enrollment Data

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/ZIP _____

Phone (____) _____

E-mail _____

Sex (circle one) MALE FEMALE

I regularly attend church at _____

I currently attend _____ High School.

In the summer of 2012, I will have just completed the _____th grade. (City on a Hill is open to students who are currently in high school, or have just graduated.)

My Cumulative Grade Point Average _____ (either on a 4.0 scale, OR on a 100% scale OR class rank with class size)

Family Information

Father's Name _____

Address _____

City/State/ZIP _____

Phone (____) _____ Work Phone (____) _____

Mother's Name _____

Address (if different) _____

City/State/ZIP _____

Phone (____) _____ Work Phone (____) _____

Essays

1. Describe your spiritual growth. Discuss your relationship with God, specifically how does this relationship influence your daily life, including your academic and life goals?
2. Explain your desire to participate in City on a Hill Youth Leadership Conference. How would this experience relate to your personal, educational, spiritual, or professional goals?

Note: Each of the above two essays should be 100-200 words.

Activities

What extracurricular activities have you been involved in (i.e. student government, campus newspaper, yearbook, sports, music, drama, church etc.) and what your most distinguished honors or achievements? (This may be in list form rather than essay form, if you prefer.)

Statement of Faith

These beliefs explain our allegiance to the work of the Kingdom of God and our stand for absolute truth.

We believe the Bible is the only infallible, authoritative Word of God.

We believe that there is only one God, eternally existent in three persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

We believe in the deity of our Lord Jesus Christ, in His virgin birth, in His sinless life, in His miracles, in His vicarious and atoning death through His shed blood, in His bodily resurrection, in His ascension to the right hand of the Father, and in His personal return to power and glory.

We believe that for the salvation of the lost and sinful man, regeneration by the Holy Spirit is absolutely essential. This salvation is available to anyone who believes, and is available by grace alone, through faith alone, and in Christ alone. While Christians are saved unto good works, and good works are an evidence of salvation, good works cannot in part or in full merit salvation.

We believe in the present ministry of the Holy Spirit by whose indwelling the Christian is enabled to live a Godly life.

We believe in the resurrection of both the saved and the lost; they that are saved unto the resurrection of life and they that are lost unto the resurrection of damnation.

We believe in the spiritual unity of believers in our Lord Jesus Christ.

I have read the above statement of faith and hold the same expressed beliefs.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

In your own words, what does it mean to be a Christian?

If you differ with any of these beliefs, please explain below (or on a separate sheet):

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Certification and Commitment

I certify that all of the information provided above is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Furthermore, I understand that if enrolled in the City on a Hill Youth Leadership Conference, I will be participating in a Christian community of teens who desire to live and learn under the Word in the world. I pledge that I will seek to make the Lordship of Jesus Christ central to all that I do. I will endeavor to love God with my body, soul and mind, conduct my life in accordance with the teachings of the Holy Scripture, submit to self-scrutiny and willing correction within the faith community of the program.

By the Grace of God,

Signed: _____ *Date:* _____

Optional Scholarship Information:

While City on a Hill's tuition is set to allow for maximum participation, we fully understand that \$350 may still be a hardship for many. We want every student who desires to have the opportunity to participate in City on a Hill.

If you would like to participate, the following option is available:

1. Contact Family First for the necessary paperwork/information.
2. Go to three persons in your sphere (church, community, extended family etc.) and explain to them your desire to participate and your financial need. They can fill out the forms and return them to Family First.
3. If you are able to raise the necessary tuition money this way, you are free to attend the conference.
4. If you are unable to raise the full \$350, please contact Family First. We will ask you to write a brief explanation of your financial need, and we will give every consideration to waiving the remainder of your tuition cost.



City on a Hill Applicant Reference Form

This portion to be filled out by student applicant:

Student Name _____ Student Phone Number _____
Student Hometown _____ Student e-mail _____

*The student named above has applied for participation in the **City on a Hill Youth Leadership Conference**. Your recommendation is a vital part of the student's application process. Please complete the form to the best of your knowledge and return it in the enclosed envelope. References should not be done by relatives of the applicant or anyone under 21 years of age.*

Please briefly describe your relationship to the applicant. (What capacity? For how long? How well do you know the applicant?)

Based upon your knowledge of the applicant in all contexts, circumstances and occasions, decide which of the following descriptions is the most accurate response. Write the number of the response to the left of each statement.

5. Completely and consistently describes the applicant in all contexts
4. Almost always an accurate description of the applicant
3. Usually an accurate description of the applicant
2. Occasionally an accurate description of the applicant
1. Not an accurate description of the applicant
0. Don't know the applicant well enough to make an assessment of the statement

_____ Courageously shares his/her opinion, even when in the minority

_____ Excels when under stress or when around a hostile group

_____ Respectfully shows appreciation of differing opinions (including personal criticism)

_____ Is a "high maintenance" person, requiring disproportionate amount of attention

_____ Lacks ability to converse and integrate with those he/she doesn't know well

Which of the following is the best description of your belief in the applicant's potential as a leader?

- _____ "Take charge" leader who creates prompt action and accurate direction
- _____ A charismatic leader who naturally attracts and inspires a wide range of followers
- _____ Less of a natural leader, but has specialized talents and excels in some areas
- _____ Quiet role model whose character earns widespread respect
- _____ Dependable follower, with limitations as a leader

How does the applicant's ability and potential compare to other students you've known?

- _____ Outstanding (top 5%)
- _____ Excellent (top 15%)
- _____ Good (top 1/3)
- _____ Average (middle 1/3)
- _____ Poor (bottom 1/3)

On a scale of one to five, five being the strongest or highest mark, please rate the applicant in the following areas. (5 = Highly Positive; 1= Highly Negative)

- _____ Classroom Performance
- _____ Level of Christian Maturity
- _____ Moral Character
- _____ Church Involvement
- _____ Overall attitude

Additional comments:

Name _____ Position/Organization _____

Address _____ City/State/ZIP _____

Phone (____) _____ Work Phone (____) _____

Signed _____ Date _____