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## Summer Programs Application

New Beginnings June 13<sup>th</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup>

Camp Steele July 15<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup>

Complete all three parts of this application and return them to your guidance counselor.

*OR* mail it to

*High Rocks*

*195 Thompson Rd.*

*Hillsboro, WV 24946*

*www.highrocks.org*

*304-653-4891*

### PART ONE: General Information

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

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

School \_\_\_\_\_ High School Graduation Year \_\_\_\_\_

GPA \_\_\_\_\_

I am ...

- in the 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> grade and would like to apply for New Beginnings Camp
- in 8<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> grade and would like to apply for Camp Steele

I am in:

- 7<sup>th</sup> grade
- 8<sup>th</sup> grade
- 9<sup>th</sup> grade
- 10<sup>th</sup> grade
- 11<sup>th</sup> grade
- 12<sup>th</sup> grade

**Tell us about your living situation**

- \_\_\_\_\_ I live with one or both parents
- \_\_\_\_\_ I live with someone other than my parent(s)
- \_\_\_\_\_ I am living on my own/supporting myself independently
- \_\_\_\_\_ I am part of the foster care program or otherwise in the custody of the state
- \_\_\_\_\_ I am homeless (defined below)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Homelessness Definition:** High Rocks follows the McKinney-Vento Act's Definition of "Homeless" for Children and Youth. --The definition specifically includes youth living in emergency shelters, motels, hotels, trailer parks, cars, parks, public spaces, or abandoned buildings, and those sharing the housing of other persons due to loss of housing, economic hardship, abuse, trafficking, or a similar reason including doubling-up or couch surfing.

**It is important to us that low income families are part of our programs. Does your family receive public assistance? For example: public assistance to help with rent, food, or heat.**

- yes
- no

**Parent/Guardian Information:**

Parent/Guardian Full Name and Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Primary phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Alternate phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Work phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Second Parent/Guardian Information:**

Parent/Guardian Full Name and Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Primary phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Alternate phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Work phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Will you be a first-generation college student?**

- Yes, neither of my guardians graduated with a 4-year degree
- No, one or both of my guardians graduated with a 4-year degree
- Maybe
- It's complicated, or I'm not sure
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Citizen Status?**

- I am a US citizen
- I am a US permanent resident
- I am an international student
- I am a recipient of D.A.C.A (Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals/ Dreamer )
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Gender** (check all that apply)

- Female
  - Male
  - Trans and/or non-binary
  - I prefer not to say
  - Other \_\_\_\_\_
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If you would like to tell us your pronouns, please do so here: \_\_\_\_\_

**Are you a member of a military family?**

- Yes
- No
- I don't know

**Are you a member of a Veteran family?**

- Yes
- No
- I don't know

**Identity:**

	<b>Me</b>	<b>Somewhat Me</b>	<b>Not Me</b>	<b>I'm not sure</b>
<b>Differently-abled, Learning Disorder, or other</b>				
<b>LGBTQIA+</b>				
<b>Hispanic or Latino/a</b>				
<b>White</b>				
<b>Black or African</b>				
<b>American Indian or Alaskan Native</b>				
<b>Middle Eastern or North African</b>				
<b>Hawaiian</b>				
<b>Asian</b>				
<b>Non-native English Speaker</b>				

**What other aspects of your identity would you like to share? (optional)**

**A little about you:** High Rocks camps are fun, vibrant, rigorous, challenging, and engaging. In order for us to make the difficult decision on who is selected to come to these camps, we need to know as much as we can about you. Please take the time to answer these questions as completely and honestly as you are able. This is your chance to shine. There is no word limit on the following questions.!

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1. What do you know about High Rocks? Why do you want to be a part of it?

2. What are your three best qualities? Why?

3. What would you like to change and/or work on about yourself? Why?

4. Tell us about a dream you have for yourself or your community, school or world.

5. What is something many people don't know about you and would be surprised to learn?

# ESSAY

Please answer **one** of the following essay questions, using between 250-750 words

1. Write about a person who has inspired you and why. How has the example they have set helped change the way you live your life?
2. Write about a challenge you've faced and how you dealt with it.

### **PART THREE: Letter of Recommendation (included)**

You also need to ask an adult (no parents or relatives) to fill out a Recommendation Form. You can ask a teacher, pastor, community leader, coach or another adult who knows you well. Below please list the name, relationship and phone number of the person you give this Recommendation Form to in case we have questions. *They should send the letter to High Rocks instead of giving it back to you.* We will accept faxed, e-mailed, or mailed letters of recommendation.

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

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to You: \_\_\_\_\_





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## Summer Programs Recommendation

Please have an adult who is not related to you complete this recommendation and mail it to

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Camper's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade : \_\_\_\_\_

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone : \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

In what way do you know the applicant? \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you known her? \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you for taking the time to fill out this recommendation thoughtfully and honestly. We could not select girls for our program without your help. If you have any additional thoughts, please feel free to include them or attach additional sheets. ***Please do not return your letter to the applicant.***

Please consider the following areas as they apply to the applicant. Please be honest—we want to have a real sense of each girl's strengths and weaknesses so we can build good groups! Your responses will be confidential.

	I Don't Know	No, never	Sometimes	Usually	Yes, always
She gets along well with different groups and ages					
She likes to think about things; is intellectually curious					
She is creative, artistic, or musical					
She takes initiative/ is self-motivated					
She wants to do well in school					
She is kind and compassionate					
She would benefit from academic tutoring					
She is bold and outspoken					
She likes a challenge					
She is leader of her peers					
She has supportive adults in her life					
She is willing to try new things					
She is involved with many extra-curricular activities					

1. High Rocks is a leadership program which offers a variety of opportunities for teenage girls. Outdoor adventures, academic support, planning for life after high school, and creating service projects are all parts of the High Rocks experience. How do you think this girl would benefit from coming to High Rocks?

2. High Rocks girls come from all walks of life and thrive on being part of a diverse group. We want a variety of qualities and personalities to create a balanced group of girls. What are three important qualities or talents she would bring to the High Rocks group?

3. What sets her apart from other girls her age? What is special or unique about her?

4. How does she react to challenging situations or stress? Give an example if possible.