

West Coast Trail Student Endorsement 2024

Dear Teacher,

_____ is being considered for the West Coast Trail leadership group. The West Coast trail is both physically and psychologically challenging and requires fitness, knowledge and teamwork. Please consider each of the points below and add any comments regarding this student's suitability.

Do you think this student will be able to **physically** hike long distances, in rain, through rough terrain, with a heavy backpack? (consider knee, back, ankle injuries) Yes No Unknown

Do you think this student will be able to **mentally** hike long distances, in rain, through rough terrain, with a heavy backpack? (consider injuries to self esteem, ego and social status) Yes No Unknown

In your experience, does this student maintain a positive attitude during unpleasant and challenging situations? Yes No Unknown

In your experience, does this student get along well with others? (Students on this trip are required to share equipment, meals and sleeping quarters; students also depend on each other for their own personal safety) Yes No Unknown

WCT leadership students are responsible for sharing the story of their journey to elementary school students before and after the trip. In your opinion, do you think this student has the responsibility and maturity to follow through on this task? Yes No Unknown

Does this student catch up quickly after being absent? **Students completing the WCT will miss one week of school in late May.** Yes No Unknown

Have you ever been concerned with this student's **ATTENDANCE** and/or behavior? If so, please detail below. Yes No Unknown

Please select one:

- I think this student would be an excellent addition to the WCT leadership group!
- I have some concerns with this student completing the WCT and have described them below.
- I do not think this student should complete the WCT for reasons I have described below.

Teacher Name (please print) & Signature

Please return this form DIRECTLY to Christine Wang or Julia Van Vliet (mailbox/room 204/206). DO NOT give the completed form to the student.