

**JUNIATA MENNONITE SCHOOL**

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Dear Pastor,

Juniata Mennonite School’s mission is to develop and bring into full expression each child’s God-given talents for use in spiritual and secular activities, to assist the student in acquiring skill in Christian reasoning and speaking, and to teach the useful subjects with the purpose of developing the individual’s confidence and growth. We respect God’s placement of children into families first. This recognizes the parents’ first responsibility to nourish and nurture a child’s fundamental needs. It also acknowledges Christian families need the support and instruction from church communities whose source is Biblical principles in the preaching and teaching. The place of Juniata Mennonite School in the life of a child comes after these two primary influences. Family nurturing and the teaching of the church produce a solid foundation on which Juniata Mennonite School helps to build each young life.

The family listed on the reverse side is applying for admission to our school. Your understanding of the family, its place of progress in faith, and any particular information about its special needs will be very helpful to our Admissions Committee. Juniata Mennonite School is a school committed to the Word of God. We desire that families maintain active involvement with a local church that supports the school’s statement of faith, which is included below.

Thank you for your assistance to us and to this family. Please submit the Pastor’s Recommendation form directly to Juniata Mennonite School.

In Christ’s Service,

Thomas Getz  
Principal/Administrator

**JUNIATA MENNONITE SCHOOL STATEMENT OF FAITH**

- We believe the Bible to be the inspired, the only infallible, authoritative Word of God.
- We believe that there is 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 in power and glory.
- We believe that for salvation of lost and sinful man, regeneration by the Holy Spirit is absolutely essential.
- 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 will be resurrected to life, and they that are lost to damnation.
- We believe in the spiritual unity of the believers in our Lord Jesus Christ.

**PASTOR’S RECOMMENDATION**

After you have completed Part I, please give this to your Pastor to complete and mail directly to Juniata Mennonite School.

**Part I.**

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

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

Names of children applying to JMS:

- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_

• \_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_

**Part II. To be completed by the Pastor.**

Describe the family's church attendance:

Regular (3-4 times per month)  Irregular (1-2 times per month)  Seldom

Church membership of parents:  Both Parents  Father  Mother  Neither Parent

Is the family active in your church beyond Sunday attendance?  Yes  No

If yes, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

Are the children active in the youth program of the church?  Yes  No

Do you consider the children open to spiritual instruction?  Yes  No

What is your understanding of this family's relationship to God?

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Are there any concerns that should be known by the school, which could either positively or negatively influence the decision of the Admissions Committee?

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Do you recommend this family for admission to Juniata Mennonite School?  Yes  No

Pastor's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Pastor's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Church Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Church Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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

*Thank you for taking the time to complete this form.*

*Please return to: **Juniata Mennonite School, 289 Leonard Hill Rd., McAlisterville, PA 17049***

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