

## Participant Referral Form – 2018 Canadian Program

Please note we have updated our process this year so that the due date for referrals is November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2017, and not the same day that applications are due (November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017)

***\*We encourage you to complete and submit this form online at [www.nya.ca](http://www.nya.ca) – fax/email submissions are also accepted \****

Northern Youth Abroad provides opportunities for youth living in Nunavut and the Northwest Territories to acquire career skills and training, hands on work experience, leadership development, and high school credits through a cross-cultural learning and work experience in southern Canada and abroad. As a participant, each youth completes a series of assignments in their home community, attends a program orientation and de-briefing, and completes a five-week placement in a southern host community. While in the south they live with a host family and volunteer at a work placement for 35 hours a week.

Each Canadian Program applicant is required to submit two “Participant Referral Forms” in support of their application – one from their mentor, and one more from another adult who is not an immediate family member. The referral helps determine if NYA is a good fit for the applicant while allowing us to get to know them a little bit better.

**NYA offers youth an opportunity for personal growth. We are particularly committed to supporting youth who have had limited opportunities to travel outside their home communities or participate in this type of programming before.**

***All information is treated confidentially and can be submitted to us online, or via fax, e-mail, or letter mail.*** If you run out of space please feel free to provide additional information about the applicant on supplementary pages. ***Please be frank and honest in your comments so that we can develop a clear understanding of the young person being referred. Being candid regarding a participant’s circumstances and/or history will not disqualify someone from being chosen. It will help us ensure that we have the needed supports in place to promote each participant’s success, while protecting the well-being and safety of all involved.*** If you have any questions regarding the NYA program or the elements of a youth’s participation, please contact the NYA office.

**We thank you for providing your time, insight and knowledge.**

Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

How do you know the applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you known the applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Your Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Your Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Will you be acting as the applicants mentor?:  Yes  No

How much support do you feel the candidate would require to be successful?

Little to No Support       Some Support       Considerable Support       Not sure

Do you feel this applicant is a good candidate for the NYA Canadian program? Why or why not?

If selected, what do you think this candidate will gain from being a part of the Canadian Program?

What do you think the applicant's greatest strengths and challenges are, as they might apply to this program?

Strengths:

Challenges:

How would you rate the applicant in the following areas?

	Superior	Above Average	Average	Needs Improvement
Emotional Maturity				
Leadership Ability				
Enthusiasm & Energy				
Self Confidence				
Perseverance				
Handling Difficult Situations				
Motivation				
Handling Conflict				
Comfortable following rules and expectations				
Work Ethic				

Interpersonal Relationships:

As you have observed this applicant in relationships with other people, is he/she usually: (check all that apply)

- |  |  |  |
|--|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cooperative   | <input type="checkbox"/> Respected by peers        | <input type="checkbox"/> Open to new situations  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Outgoing      | <input type="checkbox"/> Seen as a leader          | <input type="checkbox"/> Sensitive to others     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> A team player | <input type="checkbox"/> Able to meet expectations | <input type="checkbox"/> Respectful of authority |

Are there any issues or challenges that the applicant faces or has faced that we should be aware of? If so, do you think this will affect their participation?

Is there anything else we should know about this applicant?

Thank you! For more information please visit [www.nya.ca](http://www.nya.ca) or call 866-212-2307

**We encourage you to access and submit this form online at [www.nya.ca](http://www.nya.ca)**

If required, the following are also accepted  
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