

The Horace Smith Fund
WILLIAM R. ROONEY AWARD REFERENCE

Completed references must be received in The Horace Smith Fund office no later than **March 15th**.

Name of Student _____

The person above has applied for a Walter S. Barr Scholarship and has given your name as a reference. Please answer the questions below, rate the applicant in comparison with other students whom you know, and provide an essay elaborating on the student's strengths, accomplishments and other significant information regarding potential and work ethic.

1. How long have you known the applicant? In what capacity? How recently?

2. What opportunity have you had for judging the applicant's merit?

3. Check the appropriate ratings below.

QUALITIES	One of the top few encountered in my career	Excellent	Good	Average	Below Average	Do not know
Scholastic ability						
Intellectual curiosity						
Hard working						
Character						
Leadership						
Creativity						
Ability to get along with others						

4. Please state on the other side or another sheet why you would consider this applicant to be a good candidate for the Walter S. Barr Scholarship. In this highly competitive scholarship program, your reference is very important. Include any additional information, favorable or unfavorable, and any knowledge of financial need you think will assist the Scholarship Committee in making the decision.

Signature _____ Date _____

Print name _____ Email _____

Address: _____

**Please send this completed form to: The Horace Smith Fund
 16 Union Avenue, Ste. 2K
 Westfield, MA 01085**