THE CHURCH OF
JESUS CHRIST
OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS

Ecclesiastical Endorsement Form for:

Individuals who are not members of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

Applicant/Student Full Legal Name	Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY)

Applicant/Student Personal Email	Applicant/Student Country	Mobile Phone Number

□ BYU □ BYU-Hawaii □ BYU-Idaho □ Ensign College *(Please Check Name of School)*	_____ BYU ID/NET ID	□ New Student □ Continuing Student *(Please Check Type of Student)*

1. Process for non-Latter-day Saint student endorsements

Note to Interviewer: Please explain that Brigham Young University, BYU–Hawaii, BYU–Idaho, and Ensign College are all sponsored by The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and are part of the Church Educational System (CES). The CES institutions of higher education are founded on the gospel of Jesus Christ and exist to develop disciples of Jesus Christ who are leaders in their homes, the Church, and their communities. Both prospective and continuing non-Latter-day Saint students must be interviewed and endorsed by their ecclesiastical leaders.

- *New* non-Latter-day Saint student applicants must receive an endorsement from:
  - The individual's pastor/faith leader, or a local Latter-day Saint bishop, *AND*
  - The CES institution's chaplain
- *Returning* non-Latter-day Saint students must receive an annual endorsement from the CES institution's chaplain.

2. Endorsement Questions for New and Continuing non-Latter-day Saint students

1. Please explain your desire to attend [*interviewer insert the appropriate school's name*].
2. Enrollment in a CES institution comes with an expectation of spiritual development and scripture study. Will you incorporate these as part of your educational experience?
3. Do you strive to be honest in all that you do, including keeping the commitments you have made?
4. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints believes that God has revealed a commandment called the Word of Wisdom, which outlines healthy practices and prohibits substances which are not good for the human body. If enrolled, you will be expected to abstain from alcoholic beverages, tobacco, tea, coffee, vaping, marijuana, and substance abuse. Will you follow these standards while you are enrolled?
5. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints believes that marriage between a man and a woman is ordained of God. Living a chaste life includes abstinence from sexual relations except within a lawful marriage between a man and a woman and then complete fidelity to one's spouse after marriage. Additionally, individuals should strive to be morally clean in their thoughts, words, and actions. Will you obey the law of chastity while you are enrolled?
6. If you are admitted and enroll, you will be expected to refrain from condemning or advocating against the Church and its teachings, practices, and leaders. Will you refrain from doing so?

Ecclesiastical Leader Endorsement

□ **Yes, I endorse this individual** □ **No, I do not endorse this individual**

Name of Congregation	Ecclesiastical Office/Church Position
Ecclesiastical Leader Name (Print)	Phone Number
Ecclesiastical Leader Signature	

Please Note: *Leaders should send this completed form to: CES-endorsement@ChurchofJesusChrist.org*