

CATE SCHOOL

Circle grade for which you are applying: 9 10 11 in September 2021

Name of applicant _____

This form is required for applicants applying through A Better Chance, Daniel Murphy, NJ Seeds, Queen City Foundation and Teak Fellowship

SHORT RESPONSES

Complete the following phrases. There is no right or wrong answer. We encourage you to be spontaneous, creative, and authentic.

Three things I can't go without _____

If I knew I could not fail _____

I unwind by _____

What makes me smile _____

I dream _____

Teachers often tell me _____

Challenge _____

My theme song _____

I feel powerful _____

Today _____

ESSAY QUESTIONS

Please respond to the following essay question.

In 1950, during his final commencement address as Headmaster, Curtis Cate reflected upon his forty years of service to the School with the following statement:

"Finally, we leave behind the spirit of this place, all compounded of beauty and virtue, of quiet study and vigorous play and hard work, of little disappointments and great satisfactions, of youth and growing and attaining. But part of the spirit of the place goes with us."

Though his quotation is now more than sixty years old, the message behind Mr. Cate's words still holds true. For many students, faculty, and parents, the Mesa evokes profound emotions and memories. Describe a location that you know which strikes in you strong feelings or recollections. It can be a place that you know well or a place that you have seen only briefly. Do your best to describe the spirit of your place. Use your creativity and imagination to take us there and allow us to understand why it is so meaningful to you.

I have had/will have my interview on _____

Have you ever been involved in any disciplinary incidents resulting in a response (e.g. censure, suspension, withdrawal or dismissal) from your school? _____

To what other schools do you expect to apply? _____