BALL STATE UNIVERSITY

2012–13 GUIDANCE COUNSELOR FORM

APPLICANT SECTION

To be completed by a currently enrolled high school senior. Please fill in the information below about yourself; then carefully detach this form and give it to your high school guidance counselor to complete. Your counselor must send the completed form directly to Ball State's Office of Admissions.

Last name _____ First name _____

Middle name _____ Suffix (Jr., etc.) _____

Address _____

COUNSELOR SECTION

To be completed by the applicant's high school guidance counselor. The named student is applying for admission to Ball State University. This form is part of the university's application requirements. Please fill in the requested information and send this document directly to Ball State's Office of Admissions.

High school name _____ HS CEEB Code ___|___|___|___|___|___

Student's graduation date (month/year) _____ Indiana student test number (STN) _____

Will this student be awarded a high school diploma? ☐ Yes ☐ No

For Indiana students only:

Is this student on track to complete Core 40? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Has this student passed the ISTEP+ exam? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Is this student pursuing an Indiana Academic Honors Diploma? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A

TRANSCRIPT AND PROFILE

The student's official transcript and a list of his or her courses in progress are **required**. If available, please also include a high school profile.

COURSES IN PROGRESS

Please list the student's academic courses currently in progress, or attach a list to this form.

7th semester or equivalent:

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8th semester or equivalent:

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COUNSELOR COMMENTS

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Counselor name _____ Phone, with area code (_____)_____ ext. _____

E-mail address _____

Counselor signature _____ **Date** _____

MAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Counselor: Upon completion of this form, please mail it with all supporting credentials to the address below.

Office of Admissions
Ball State University
2000 West University Avenue
Muncie, IN 47306-0855

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EXCELLENCE BEGINS WITH STUDENTS

Dear Guidance Counselor,

Thank you for taking the time to complete the form on the other side and send it to us on behalf of your student. The information you provide will allow us to fully evaluate the student's academic ability, motivation, and potential to accomplish college-level work.

As part of our strategic plan, Ball State is committed to enrolling **bright, creative, and well-prepared students** who can thrive in an **intellectually challenging environment** and graduate with the skills and experience to become productive leaders in the global economy. We're looking for students who exhibit solid **problem-solving capabilities**, exceptional **skill and craftsmanship** in their assignments and work, strong oral and written **communication skills**, and the **motivation** to accomplish personal goals.

To help these students succeed, we're committed to providing:

Academics: A wide variety of academic programs, a number of them nationally ranked and recognized, and an excellent Honors College to stretch and inspire the brightest students.

Challenge: Intense, collaborative, immersive learning experiences that provide life-changing, innovative educational opportunities beyond the classroom with tangible results.

Faculty: Exceptional access to faculty through a low student-to-faculty ratio, small class sizes, and flexible office hours. Nearly all of our classes are taught by professors, rather than graduate students.

Community: Award-winning first-year programs and living-learning communities that help freshmen get connected on campus and make a successful transition to college.

Diversity: A vibrant, supportive campus environment that fosters diversity, wellness, and access, plus an extensive network of study abroad and cultural immersion opportunities to broaden students' perspectives.

Activities: Hundreds of student organizations and extracurricular activities that offer countless opportunities for building relationships, life skills, and leadership abilities.

Technology: Leading-edge wired and wireless technology resources and emerging media applications that are made available to all students from their first semester on.

Affordability: Relatively low costs and substantial financial aid packages that make an excellent education affordable for more students.

Connections: Valuable connections with business and industry professionals that give students an advantage in the job market after graduation.

It's no coincidence that The Princeton Review has named Ball State one of the **best universities in the Midwest**—the top 25 percent—the past six years. For seven straight years, *U.S. News* & *World Report* has listed Ball State among the nation's **first-year "programs to look for**," recognizing our innovative efforts to help students make a successful transition from high school to college. *U.S. News* & *World Report* also has ranked Ball State 20th among "up-and-coming" colleges and universities, placing us among institutions "that recently made the most promising and innovative changes in the areas of academics, faculty, student life, campus, or facilities."

I appreciate your assistance and support of your students who are considering admission to our university.

Sincerely,

Chris Munchel
Director of Admissions
Ball State University
cmunchel@bsu.edu

P.S. If your student is completing an advanced college preparatory curriculum such as the Indiana Academic Honors Diploma, shows exceptional academic and leadership potential, and would thrive in a highly selective and intellectually stimulating small-college environment, you might want to recommend applying to our **Honors College**. Information about this special program is available at **www.bsu.edu/honors**.

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EDUCATION REDEFINED®

Ball State University is a state-assisted doctoral institution located in Muncie, Indiana, a midsized, classically Midwestern city just one hour northeast of Indianapolis. Ball State enrolls about 22,000 students (including more than 18,000 undergraduates) from 48 states, two U.S. territories, about 65 countries, and every Indiana county.