NEAR-PEER MENTOR RECOMMENDATION FORM
Submit by December 15, 2022

Applicant's Name:
Applicant's Contact Email(s):

The U.S. Army Aeromedical Research Laboratory Gains in the Education of Mathematics and Science (GEMS) program is an extracurricular science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) outreach activity that engages school-aged students in hands-on, inquiry-based experiments and nurtures students' interest in STEM career fields.

Near-peer mentors prepare materials for implementing STEM experiments, teach experiments to the students, and serve as role models to the students by promoting science and math courses and by acting as expert resources concerning college life and career pathways. Mentors are thoroughly trained in the conduct of the GEMS modules and in basic methods and practices of teaching.

Rate the applicant	No basis for judgment	Poor (99th percentile)	Fair (75th percentile)	Good (50th percentile)	Excellent (25th percentile)	Outstanding (5th percentile)
Leadership	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Integrity	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Responsibility	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Cooperation	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Motivation	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Independence	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Emotional Maturity	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Perseverance	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

In your experience with the applicant, have you observed him or her working with children? Describe the applicant's interaction(s) with children.
Do you recommend the applicant for a position working with children? Why or why not?

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For how long and in what capacity have you known the applicant? What are the applicant's primary talents/strengths? Specifically state the applicant's ability to excel as a GEMS Near-Peer Mentor.
Describe the ways that you have observed the applicant exhibiting leadership, teaching, and mentorship skills? How does the applicant respond to direction, guidance, and constructive criticism?
In what ways will the applicant benefit from participating in GEMS as a Near-Peer Mentor?

Additional comments about the applicant:

Recommender's Name:	Phone:
Email(s):	
Signature:	Date:

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