

THE ÉRĒMOS PROJECT

Maranatha Christian Academy Environmental Leadership Program

Application Package

The Érēmos Project connects students to God and His creation through place-based experiences, career exploration, field research, and an eight day canoe trip in Algonquin Park.

The program allows students to complete a Grade 11M Credit in Environmental Science and obtain ORCKA Canoeing Certification (Basic Level 3) over an intensive three weeks of study in July.

Application Package Contents

- 1) **Student Information Sheet:** This sheet provides basic administrative information in order to process your application. (attached)
- 2) **Teacher Reference Form:** This pre-formatted teacher reference form must be handed to a teacher at your home school. (attached)
- 3) **Pastoral Reference Form:** This pre-formatted pastoral reference form must be handed to a pastor or elder that knows you personally. (attached)
- 4) **Belief Statements:**
 - a. The applicant is asked to answer the questions as honestly as they can. This will help us understand a little bit more about your background and past experiences. (attached)
 - b. The parents/guardians are asked to sign Maranatha Christian Academy's Statement of Beliefs.
- 5) **Alternative Resume:** Applicants will submit a one to two page alternative resume. This resume should be done on standard 8 ½" by 11" paper, stapled together and contain your name, address and email. It should inform us about aspects of you that would not normally be covered in a normal resume. This resume can be colourful and creative, but should not have anything trailing or raised on the surface of the paper. It can be typed or handwritten. You may make up your own categories and we encourage you to 'think outside the box' of a typical resume format. For example, the categories may include favourite books, inspiring moments, passions, quirks, unique hobbies, dreams, special skills and interests, etc.! This resume is meant to allow parts of you to come forward that may not elsewhere in the application.

Student Information Sheet

First Name

Last Name

Present School

Street

Address

City

Postal Code

Home Phone #

Email address:

Age

Date of Birth

Present Grade

I have or will have successfully completed a Grade 10 Science Credit (Academic or Applied) by July 2016: Yes ☐ No ☐

Name of Teacher Reference _____

Name of Elder/Pastor Reference _____

My application includes:

One Teacher Reference

One Pastoral Reference

My Statement of Beliefs

A Signed Statement of Beliefs by your Parents/Guardians

My Alternative Resume

Application must be received by Friday, February 12th, 2016.

Signature of Applicant: _____ **Date:** _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____ **Date:** _____

The Érémos Project Teacher Reference

The Érémos Project is an intensive three week Environmental Science program which takes place in an off-campus environment. This is an experiential program that provides numerous opportunities for self-directed learning and working and learning in a community setting.

Section A: To be Completed by the Applicant.

Student's Name: _____

Present School: _____

Name of Teacher Reference: _____

Section B: To be Completed by the Reference teacher

- 1) How long have you known the candidate?

- 2) What subject(s) have you taught the candidate and in what year?

- 3) *The Érémos Project* involves many situations where a student will be working independently and taking on varying levels of responsibility. Do you feel this student is capable of handling this? Please explain.

- 4) *The Érēmos Project* is an intense group experience for three weeks. From what you know of this student, do you feel he/she would perform well in this setting? Please explain.

Please check the description which best describes the student:

	Dependability		Co-operation
	Very Dependable		Very co-operative, helpful
	Reliable, generally can be counted upon		Co-operates willingly
	Often requires prompting		Co-operates when asked
	Requires close supervision		Not always co-operative

	Initiative		Attendance
	Self motivated, seeks little direction		Excellent record
	Occasionally seeks/needs direction		Satisfactory Attendance
	Often needs direction		Frequently absent
	Shows little initiative even with direction		High number of absences

	Communication Skills		Quality of Work
	Effective and accurate		Very thorough, few errors
	Usually effective		Usually thorough
	Acceptable skills		Satisfactory
	Experiences some difficulty		Some improvement needed

Teacher Signature: _____ Date: _____

Thank you for your time and comments.

Please return to student in a sealed envelope, or mail to:

RE: The Érēmos Project

Maranatha Christian Academy

939 Northwood St., Windsor, ON

N9E 1A2

The Érémos Project Elder/Pastor Reference

1) Please list one or two ways the applicant demonstrates active church/chapel/assembly involvement.

2) Does the applicant demonstrate regular church/chapel/assembly attendance?

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Yes

☐

No

3) Does the applicant display Christian Character?
Please explain.

Yes

☐

No

☐

4) List one way that the applicant exhibits good judgment?

Elder/Pastor Signature: _____ Date: _____

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The Éřēmos Project Belief Statement

The Éřēmos Project is a Christian program that studies the environment as a part of God's Creation. The following questions are to help us understand what you believe. Please answer as honestly as you can.

1. Please explain what a Christian is, then share with us where you feel your current relationship with Jesus Christ is.

2. If an acquaintance asked how you believe a person can get to heaven, what would your answer be?

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

MCA Statement of Beliefs

The following statements are part of our Core Family Values that reflect the beliefs of our school board members, administration, and staff based upon the teaching of the Bible, Old and New Testaments, and the school will teach these values to our students. Our school will not allow the teaching of hatred against any group or individual.

GOD: **We believe** in an eternal God who is the creator and sustainer of the Universe. God is presented in the Bible as a Triune God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, existing in three distinct Persons, one in essence, unity, purpose and action. God has been manifested in flesh in the Person of His Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, who is fully God and fully man.

CHRIST: **We believe** Christ is, and ever was the eternal Son of God, co-equal in Godhead with the Father and the Holy Spirit. In Him we have the final and complete revelation of God. Christ came to this world born of the Virgin Mary, and conceived by the Holy Spirit. We believe in Christ's sinless humanity, his miracles, his substitutionary death and his bodily resurrection. Christ ascended to heaven and will come again to take the believers to be with Him forever as He has promised.

BIBLE: **We believe** the Bible, consisting of sixty-six books in the old and new testaments, is the only written word of God. The Bible is inspired by God and is infallible. We believe that the absolute authority of the Bible is a primary and vital tenet of the Christian faith. The Bible embodies all the truth of God revealed to man. The Bible, by the power of the Holy Spirit, enlightens our understanding of God, of ourselves and of creation. The Bible is the only written authority by which God directs and governs the lives and activities of all true Christians including the education of their children.

CREATION: **We believe** the world was created by God in six days as described in Genesis 1, and it is maintained by God's providence. The world, in its origin, its preservation, and its ultimate restoration, is the work of God. Man was created in the image of God to glorify his name and to enjoy fellowship with the Creator. Therefore, we can understand the world rightly only in its relation to Him.

SIN: **We believe** sin is disobedience to God. People by sinning, separated themselves from God, and brought God's curse upon creation. The wages of sin is death. All people are born sinners by nature and deeds and are in need of the redemptive work of Christ.

CHRISTIANS: **We believe** Christians are those who believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as their personal Saviour and have repented of their sin and have accepted, by faith, the sacrifice of Christ on the cross as the only means for their eternal salvation. Christians commit their lives to the Lordship of Christ and strive to glorify God, serve Him, and spread His Word in all their endeavours by the power of the Holy Spirit.

SALVATION: **We believe** by sovereign Grace we have complete and eternal salvation through repentance toward God and faith in the Person and finished work on the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for our sins, was buried and raised again for our justification.

MARRIAGE: **We believe** marriage is instituted and ordained by God as a sacred union exclusively for one man and one woman. Sexual intimacy is a gift of God and has its proper place only within the context of marriage with one man and one woman.

Signature: _____ Date: _____