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Dear Bistro Board Parent,

Thank you for your interest in the Tree House's premiere leadership development program, the Bistro. Our program will provide top-notch college level leadership skill development, community service activities, and entrepreneurial education for your student. This service is provided **free of charge** to the youth and the families your youth will serve (however, see below). Our activities are "youth driven" and focus on providing safe, healthy, beneficial activities which train our students as leaders in the community.

Here are a few important points that will help you as a parent to understand how the Bistro program operates:

1. The **Bistro Board** is the program leadership group. This board is comprised of up to 12 Mesa County teens annually. They meet nearly every week during the school year (20 times total), perform at least 4 community-wide service activities (including the Prom Dress Drive, etc.), and work on an entrepreneurial project hands-on.
2. The **benefits** of your student participating in this program include: college scholarship opportunities (through the Daniels Fund and through our own Bistro annual scholarship), leadership and character development, hands-on entrepreneurial experience, and great resume material for applying to college and/or beginning a great career.
3. **Transportation** to or from program meetings and activities is **not provided** by the Tree House. Your student will be **supervised** during all activities by our staff or volunteers.
4. **Application** is made by simply filling out the attached form and either mailing it to the address in the footer of this letter or by sending it with your student to hand in. There will be **two informational sessions** held for your benefit. Please make an attempt to come to one of these if possible. Friday, Sept. 10th 5-6pm and Friday, Sept. 17th 5-6pm.
6. **Donations** for this nonprofit work are not required but are greatly appreciated and may be made by either visiting our website below and clicking on the "Support Our Youth" tab or by mailing checks to the address below. A suggested donation amount is \$25/month for regular students or at the rate of \$5/visit for non-regular users.

We work with the community to support the physical, emotional, social and educational well being of the area's youth. The Kids Kabana offers a safe and empowering environment that is substance and violence free every day. If you would like additional information about Tree House programs, please visit us at www.TreeHouseCenter.org or call 970-241-8001. Thank you for allowing us to be a part of your family's life!

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Bistro Board Application

(To be completed by both parents and students together)

Required Information

Student's Name: _____

Guardians' Name(s): _____

Home Address: _____

Guardians' Contact Phone: _____

Guardians' Contact E-mail: _____

Student's Contact Phone: _____

Student's Contact E-mail: _____

Student's Education:

Schools/Colleges Attended	Year Grad (or anticipated year of graduation)	Degree
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_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Additional Training _____

References: Please list the names of at least two people not related to you who can comment on your qualifications for this position.

Name	Address	Phone
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Why do you wish to join the Bistro Board? _____

Parents -- Volunteer Donations: _____ Yes, please contact me about how I may financially support this program!

_____ No, unfortunately at this time we cannot consider helping.

Parents -- Volunteer to Help: _____ Yes, please contact me about how I can volunteer my time to help!

_____ No, unfortunately we cannot work things out time wise.