



To whom it may concern:

It is with pride that I write this letter of recommendation on behalf of Luke Lacilla. I am entering my twenty-second year of teaching mathematics and my sixth year of teaching at an all-boys boarding school. I also serve as an advisor, dorm parent, and coach.

Luke is one of those students you wish you could clone, and I can honestly say that as I have had the pleasure of teaching and coaching him for the past two years. He comes to class ready to engage with all levels of problems, seeking to truly master the concepts, and pushes himself to make connections between functions. Luke is also the ultimate partner, easily working with all members of the class, asking thoughtful questions, and engaging in problem solving discussions. He does not look to give his peers the answers but will talk through and help them further their understanding. Luke is not afraid to try and fail while learning new concepts and applying his knowledge. He embraced the learning process and is not innately driven by grades. Luke thrives when working on projects, presenting himself as a leader, organizing his group, and effectively sharing his end products.

A true Salisbury Gentleman through and through, Luke is always willing to jump in to help both in and out of the classroom. He enjoys engaging in various aspects of life on the Hilltop which has garnered him the respect of the faculty and his peers. Luke proved himself a young man of grit and determination when trying out for the J.V. basketball team last year. Even though he was the smallest one of the court, by the end of the season he had one of the biggest impacts. He is a responsible, honest young man who quietly leads by example.

For these traits and more, I enthusiastically recommend Luke to your institution/program.

Sincerely,

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