



To whom it may concern,

Luke had a solid trimester in Chemistry this fall. I appreciate Luke's consistent focus and preparation which allows him to regularly engage in the material in class. He openly asks questions during activities and discussions and has a solid foundation due to his thoroughness and effort while completing the homework. The biggest area where Luke can make improvements next trimester to take the next step in class and as an overall student, would be in his preparation and execution in taking assessments. There are two ways that can best help Luke to begin this growth.

First, Luke can seek extra help prior to assessments to help organize his thoughts and outline what topics to focus his studying. Doing this in a one-on-one setting would give Luke the opportunity to really focus on the areas he can use some extra practice and teach him best practices for approaching assessments. Second, Luke can take advantage of completing assessment corrections.

Not only would completing corrections improve his grade, but more importantly, it gives him an opportunity to gain a better grasp of the material needed for future topics while reflecting and implementing where to improve his study habits for the next assessment. Luke began to see the benefits of this after the mid-trimester break, but more consistency next trimester will allow for greater growth. Overall, Luke has been great to have in the classroom, and I am looking forward to helping him to take the next step in the winter.

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