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To whom it may concern:

I do not hesitate to extend my sincere and full recommendation to Luke Richards for admission to any college and university baseball program that wishes to invite him onto their team. I also wish to extend my recommendation for consideration to any scholarship opportunities available to Luke. Luke has received high marks in AP US History, demonstrated keen interest in the curriculum, and has worked hard to improve himself. Luke has the academic skills, work ethic, and resilience to succeed at the collegiate level.

I first met Luke the first year I started a Dungeons and Dragons tabletop roleplaying club for students on campus. Luke established himself as a creative, fair Dungeon Master—the lead storyteller and rules arbiter of the game. While at first this hobby may not seem to offer many transferable skills to sports, players for the Cleveland Browns like Myles Garrett play the game and have touted its success as a bonding experience. Luke has developed important leadership skills and has had to navigate the personalities of different players while keeping them all engaged, cooperating, and on-task.

I also admire Luke for the vast and eclectic array of interests he has pursued. While I have many students to struggle to find just one hobby, Luke has played high school baseball, been involved in theater productions, volunteered at food shelters, edited video packages for the school TV morning show, served on student council, studied Kung-Fu, and been named to the Principal's List for academic excellence many times. Luke lives a full, exciting life and has proven he can handle it time and time again; succeeding and improving at anything he sets his mind to achieve.

With his academic tenacity, unyielding work ethic, and contemplative creativity, I recommend Luke Richards to any collegiate baseball program that wishes to recruit him. I am confident Luke has the knowledge and skills necessary to excel in higher academia and the attitude to persevere and improve on the baseball diamond.

Sincerely,

Mr. Kevin Smith

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