

To letter of recommendation for the truly

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TO WHOMSOEVER IT MAY CONCERN It gives me immense pleasure to write this letter of recommendation for the truly outstanding Vaibhav Anand. He had been in this school since its inception.

In my decade counseling students, it is very rare to encounter an individual with as much self-awareness and sympathy as Vaibhav. When considering his distinctive qualities: resilience, spirit, and optimism are chiefly striking given the unusual circumstances he has overcome in his life. Bearing in mind the profundity of his experiences and his sophisticated perception of life, Vaibhav possesses an extraordinary maturity beyond his eighteen years. Vaibhav has endured significant tragedies in his life. At a very young age (eleven years old) he lost his mother due to meningitis but still he performed exceptionally well in his studies in subsequent classes and exhibited a profound interest in computers and technology; he would develop virtual machines, code programs in C++, invent scientific operational models and take pleasure in solving mathematics.

As a Science stream student, he is meticulous when performing experiments and works patiently to successfully complete experiments. Vaibhav is a self-motivated, dedicated, student of high intelligence who can grasp difficult concepts, think critically and handle the rigor of a competitive environment. He exhibits the qualities of a leader. He showed us that achieving good grades was not that hard task for him and he has been awarded with the Scholar badges for his academic excellence constantly since the sixth-grade.

In addition, he has also been an active competitor in various Science and Mathematics Olympiads since sixth-grade. He had always represented our

school in multiple Scientific exhibitions with his innovative research experiments. He was the topper in the grade 11 in the subject Mathematics. However, during high school leaving / final exams (twelfth-grade), Vaibhav's father had committed suicide, which had affected Vaibhav's final twelfth-grade exams significantly. I strongly believe that the grades earned by him in his final twelfth-grade exams do not evince his true potential.

His twelfth-grade middle term grades reflect his true potential. Throughout these unstable and uncertain times, Vaibhav diligently devoted himself to his education while balancing to manage his distressed home situation, which essentially required Vaibhav to take a gap year (after graduating from high school in May 2017) to look after his younger brother. He has shouldered the responsibility for his younger brother along with managing other essential household responsibilities simultaneously. After keeping all that in mind, I believe Vaibhav is an industrious young man with great fortitude to withstand such life challenging situations. Based on the incredible resilience and infectious enthusiasm Vaibhav has shown throughout the setbacks in his life, I have no doubt that he will not only continue to deal with any obstacle that comes in his path but also will thrive with great strength, grace, and an optimistic outlook.