



To whom it may concern:

I am writing this letter to recommend Jack Kohlbeck as an excellent choice to be considered for the Tall Clubs International Scholarship. I have known Jack for about two years as his theology teacher, and in that time he has shown many positive traits and characteristics that make him a remarkable human being who shares his gifts and talents with others.

Two of the characteristics most noticeable to me are Jack's leadership and desire to serve others. Whether it be with his words or his actions, Jack demonstrates what needs to be done. There is a saying I often use in my classroom: "your life is not about you." That phrase means the gifts and talents that you have been blessed with are supposed to be freely given as a gift to others. Jack attended the "Wisconsin Leadership Seminar" in 2023 which is designed to train sophomores throughout Wisconsin on leadership and development. Flowing from his sophomore year and the training he received, he became a Student Ambassador (which promotes community service and involvement) for our school, he joined the Marshfield-Columbus Leadership Alliance (which works to reduce and prevent underage drinking and drug use), and he founded the CCHS Sports Analytics Club (which brings together sports fans and math enthusiasts to analyze data and statistics). Jack's involvement in these clubs and organizations shows his leadership skills and his desire to serve others through the gifts he has been given.

The other characteristic that really stands out to me is his work ethic in the classroom. Between school, work, volunteering, and his other various responsibilities, Jack has a lot to try and balance. One of the most impressive things about Jack to me, academic wise, would be his GPA of 4.8 (weighted) or 4.0 (unweighted). He has received numerous awards and accomplishments in his high school career due to his gifted intellect and work ethic, some of which include: high honors each year of high school, admittance into the National Honor Society, recognition in the Wisconsin Basketball Coaches Association Academic All-State Team, and finally, he received the School Recognition Award from the College Board's National Recognition Program for his PSAT score. Like his leadership abilities and desire to serve others, his work-ethic makes Jack a great model to look up to and follow.

Overall, I recommend Jack Kohlbeck as a very strong candidate to be considered for your scholarship. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at iwanski.michael@columbusdons.org. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

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