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To Whom it May Concern,

It is my great pleasure to recommend Kate Elliot for your program. I have known Kate for one year in my capacity as teacher in the Advanced Placement Pre and Calculus AB courses, and through later interactions on campus. She stands out as a confident hard worker with strong character.

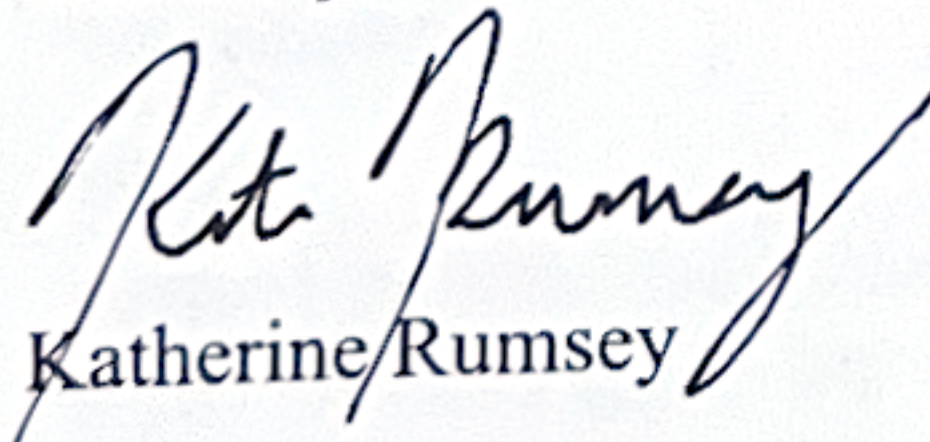
In the classroom, Kate's strengths centered around methodical perseverance and a willingness to face challenges. In small group conversations, I could rely on her to get the conversation started and keep her team on track with all members included. She put in time and effort outside of class and it paid off in a solid understanding. I remember seeing her work with a particular peer who animatedly disagreed with an answer she had found. She listened calmly, double checked both sets of work, and was able to confidently communicate the correct line of reasoning. It only seems natural to find out that she is interested in argumentative writing; Kate confidently expresses her viewpoints. Kate's solid skills, clear communication, and approachability made it easy for peers to turn to her with questions in math. Still, Kate's strengths extend far beyond the classroom.

Kate's focus on continual improvement clearly carries over to athletics. She is well known around campus for her dedication to soccer. Kate has been on the school soccer team all four years, including now on Varsity. She plays and travels for the San Diego Soccer Club Surf Team which requires commitment and time management. In my experience, Kate has always held herself to the highest standards of excellence.

What sets Kate apart is her character. She treats others with respect and consistently demonstrates maturity beyond her years. It seems only fitting that she volunteers with Miracle Buddies, where children and adults with special needs are paired with a buddy to play in an organized baseball league. In my observations, Kate would take action to make sure that others were heard, seen and included, when they may have been otherwise overlooked. I am confident that she will make an excellent addition to your community.

I highly endorse Kate for your program. She is goal-oriented, empathetic, and approaches challenges with determination. Her hard work, communication skills, and character are great assets to any team. I am confident that these qualities will allow Kate to thrive in the demanding and dynamic environment of university. Please feel free to contact me if you have any further questions.

Sincerely,


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