

Dear to Whom It May Concern,

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I highly recommend Haley Hollis for your work. I have had the pleasure to work with Haley as her art teacher for the last two years. She is a highly intelligent, complex, and understanding person. These qualities lend themselves to her search for being an independent individual and an artist. Haley works very hard on her pieces, demonstrating an advanced level of skill. Her approach to creative problems embodies a strong effort and a positive engaged attitude no matter what project she is given in my class. She consistently finds interesting ways to make projects her own and push them beyond basic criteria. Haley has a strong presence in class, but can bring herself into focus and get her work completed. In class discussions, she participates and her comments always have value to the other students.

Haley is extremely articulate and honest when expressing ideas and opinions in both, one on one conversations and discussions as a class. She has an intuitive understanding of formal and conceptual aspects of art. I have observed Haley solve creative problems with personal conviction. She has self-awareness and a willingness to learn about art. Haley would be an asset in an intensive setting focused on the study and production of art.

Haley is committed to exploring herself as an artist and actor. She has a passionate relationship to her own work and has constant attention to that connection either by working with her hands on an art object, rehearsing lines, or entrenched in how to make her life as an artist come true. Haley is extremely self-aware and critical of her work. She often knows what she needs to improve so that her art may become stronger. Haley is open to formal critical feedback from her instructors and peers; she has said it is important for her to receive constructive feedback so that she can broaden her knowledge about her own work.

In the capacity of Haley as a responsible student, she gets her work in, arrives to class on time, participates in the classroom community, and is aware of her surroundings. She puts forth a strong effort and does not give up or put forth a lack of effort, she pushes herself to the edge of her ability in all she does. Every element of her classroom process is aligned with those of an example student.

I believe both Haley and your business would benefit from her presence there.

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