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To whom it may concern:

It is with great pleasure that I write a recommendation for **Thomas Buckley**. Thomas was a member of my Freshen Accelerated Honors Physics class at the Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical High School in Upton, Massachusetts. The accelerated honors Physics class is an initiative for the most capable students to challenge themselves by studying to take the state MCAS exam in their Freshman year. Thomas was very successful as he achieved a advanced score of "272" in his first attempt. This will most assuredly qualify him for the John and Abigail Adams scholarship! Thomas is successful by relying on his personal nature, which is to acquire success through applied and dedicated effort. It is also his manner to achieve. He is not intimidated by new information as he is confident in his ability to assimilate it through his tried and proven methods.

Thomas is a member of one of our more challenging shops, Electronics. He has become very successful there and his teachers speak very highly of him. He has particular skills in basic AC/DC theory, troubleshooting circuits, soldering, and has knowledge of testing equipment like oscilloscopes, digital and analog meters, and function generators.

Currently, Thomas is 6th in his class of 308 students! It takes persistent effort to keep a ranking like this and I believe it is a reliable indicator of future expectations for Thomas.

Thomas is a valued member of the Aviation Club, a club I mentor. He is consistently supportive by always participating in club activities and fundraising.

Writing this recommendation is very much a bittersweet moment for me. While I want to encourage good students of mine like Thomas to pursue their dreams and aspirations, I can't help but be sad at the prospect of him leaving Valley Tech. Thomas is scheduled to travel with the Aviation Club in his Senior year to Florida on an 8-day field trip and it just wouldn't be the same without him.

If anyone would like more information about **Thomas Buckley**, please feel free to contact me personally at the above address and number.

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