



December 17<sup>th</sup>, 2021

To Whom It May Concern,

This letter is my personal recommendation for Zain Kergaye to be considered for this internship. I first met Zain two years ago, and since then he has consistently impressed me with his dedication, work ethic, and drive to achieve. Outside of academics, Zain has surprised me on several occasions by his fierce advocacy for his friends, and an irreverent sense of humor.

Zain's time as a student at the Academy for Math Engineering and Science has so far been a balance of earning high grades in his classes, striving for the most challenging coursework he can find, collaborating with his peers on projects, and dedicating spare time for extracurricular activities.

In addition to earning notable grades in his coursework, Zain exhibits quality of character through volunteering; a first impression of Zain might give the impression of a competitive student, but he nurtures a desire to create a better world around him. One such passion project is when Zain spent hours gathering and packaging school supplies for refugee students. His competitive (yet diplomatic) side comes into play when he serves as a referee in community soccer games.

Without a doubt, I confidently recommend Zain as a deserving and qualified applicant. As a dedicated, knowledgeable candidate and an all-around great student, I know that you will be just as impressed with Zain as I am. Please contact me with any questions you may have, and let me know if I can provide any additional information in support of this commendable student.

Sincerely,

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