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Dear Mario Ross,

When I initially moved into Bates West this summer, I was weary of the idea of living so far from home and sharing a space with so many other people. My fears, thankfully, were very quickly brushed aside by my Resident Mentor who provided me with information and security that would allow me to find my feet here in Columbia, SC. After seeing the impact that a good Resident Mentor can have on the quality of life as a freshman on campus, I became enamored with the idea of being able to provide that same security to other oncoming freshmen. For that reason, I would love to become a Resident Mentor here at the University of South Carolina.

As someone with numerous experiences in leadership roles, such as being the Vice President of my high school class, I have experience with acting as a liaison between administration and student body. This experience will serve me well when relaying information to the residents and presenting feedback from students to those in charge. As well as being a mentor for the residents I can also help them academically as they navigate their first year as a student of the Engineering and Computing learning and living community, as I graduated high school with a 4.2 GPA, and I am a member of the Capstone Scholar program. For these reasons I would be a helpful Resident Mentor for the students.

I am very excited about the prospect of working for you in this position. I am looking forward to using my leadership skills to assist the University of South Carolina and the future residents that will call this school home.

Sincerely,

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Skills

* Programing
  + *Java*
* Video Editing
  + *Sony Vegas*
* Photoshop
* Proficient in Spanish

Education

* University of South Carolina; Columbia, SC
* *Bachelor of Science in Computer Engineering;* May 2024

Experience

* Group Mission Trips*;* Navajo Valley, UT
  + *Volunteer;* July 2018
  + Assigned workloads to other volunteers
  + Tore down and replaced tin roof and siding
* Student Government; Wrightsville, PA
  + *Vice President;* August 2016 – June 2021
  + Organized fundraising events such as sandwich sales and events
  + Managed class finances and constructed yearly budgets
  + Communicated ideas from peers to administrators in order to improve student satisfaction

Awards

* Capstone Scholar
* 4.2 Cumulative High School GPA
* World Language Award for Excellence in Spanish