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To Whom It May Concern:

I am pleased to write this letter of recommendation for Miss Mallory Collins. I had the pleasure of having Mallory as a student in my AP Psychology class for the 2017-18 academic year. Based on my interaction with her, I am confident that Mallory will be successful because of her ability, her motivation, and her exceptional maturity.

Mallory elected to take AP Psychology as a Junior when she certainly could have taken a less rigorous course. She was required to read a college-level text and to routinely operate at the highest levels of Bloom's taxonomy. She has risen to these challenges in a confident & competent way. Mallory is routinely able to ask key questions that are appropriate for a true understanding of the subject matter, and also has helped others in the class come to a better understanding of the material as well. It is entertaining to watch her process new information and find new ways to take ownership in her learning.

Mallory is a dedicated learner. She has been able to make very insightful comments to class. Her attendance is exemplary and when she makes a commitment to achieving a goal, she does so with the energy and enthusiasm you would expect from a student of this caliber. She is also involved in several student organizations, including the National Honor Society, Student Council, & Interact Club, among other organizations as well. She is also very active in her dance studio, participating in several different leadership roles. She has served as a volunteer assistant in her dance studio and serves as a role model for young students. Mallory has been active in other community service activities as well, including volunteering at a nursing facility. She understands the importance of being involved in the entire student experience by showing she can balance academics and social activities. Mallory seems to have a particular interest in serving her community by sharing her passion for dance & helping others.

Mallory seems to have an ability to practice lateral thinking and make connections about concepts that few students at her level can. She has the ability to be very empathetic toward others and has a desire to make herself and others around her better.

Finally, Mallory possesses an outstanding character and respect for others. It is rare to find a student with as much compassion and humanity as this fine young woman. I am confident that she is the type of student that would represent your institution very well. It is with great pleasure that I recommend Mallory Collins highly and without reservation.

Sincerely,

Mr. Patrick M. MacLaughlin

AP Psychology Teacher/Student Council Advisor