Teacher Recommendation Letter Information Form

Juniors (Class of 2020): please fill out this information form once per SSA teacher who has agreed to write a letter of recommendation for you. Ms. Williams will share your answers with that selected teacher, and your answers will help them in writing your letter.

If you have any questions before completing this form, please see your college counselor or Ms. Williams.

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Select Teacher *
Hardy-Bingham, Dana
Name of course (list more than one, if applicable) *
American Rhetoric, Fall Play, Winter Musical

Favorite ideas and/or topics from class *

The pet peeve speech and the final speech

A SPECIFIC moment in which you were at your best in this class. Feel free to give more than one example, but be SPECIFIC. *

I think one specific moment that was best for me in American Rhetoric was my final speech - I was so passionate about my topic that finding evidence was not hard for me, and I cared so much about what I was talking about that the performance aspect of the speech wasn't even a concern for me. I felt really proud of that speech, because I felt that I was really able to show why I care for that particular issue, and why I believe what I believe about it. In terms of theater, I felt that Little Shop was one of my best experiences - I learned about unconventional acting, and manning that puppet took a lot of work, preparation, and strength. Plus, I really love that show!

What are your academic strengths in this class? *

My writing and performance abilities. I thought that theater really helped me thrive in this class, and that being comfortable with an audience helped me deliver what I truly wanted to say.

What are your academic weaknesses in this class? What have you done to address or improve this? *

I thought my academic weakness in American Rhetoric was my tendency to fidget while onstage - this was the only thing I was ever marked down for in any of my speeches, and once I saw that, I tried my best to be constantly aware of my body language and what I was doing with my hands. I improved, and my third speech and final speech both ended up being flawless in terms of performance.

How do you think your peers would describe you as a student in this class?

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Hard-working, well-prepared, enthusiastic

Is there any additional information you would like to share with your teacher? (Optional)

I just want to thank you for everything! I've had the time of my life in the fall play and OWTF for the past 3 years, the winter musical for the past 2 years, in American Rhetoric this past winter, and of course in Scotland. You have been nothing but encouraging, and everyone is always amazed at the amount of work you put in for each performance every year. I truly appreciate everything that you do for all of us, whether it's in the classroom or on the stage. Thank you HB!

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