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# SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

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### SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

### MEETING AGENDA

Southern California Association of Governments
Remote Participation Only
Monday, June 15, 2020
10:30AM

### **CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

(Hon. Cheryl Viegas-Walker, Chair)

### **ROLL CALL**

### **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

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### **REVIEW AND PRIORITIZE AGENDA ITEMS**

### **ACTION ITEMS**

1. <u>2020 SCAG Scholarship Program</u> (Jonathan Hughes, Regional Affairs Officer)

Recommended Action: Recommend one (1) student each from Imperial, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, and Ventura Counties and two (2) students from Los Angeles County, to receive the 2020 SCAG Scholarship Program Award. The Scholarship Committee may, at their discretion (not compulsory), recommend two (2) additional students—from any SCAG county—to also receive a scholarship award. Apart from the SCAG-funded awards, the California Transportation Foundation (CTF) may provide funding for one (1) additional scholarship award. Recommendations will be forwarded to the Regional Council for approval at their next regular meeting on July 2, 2020.

### **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

### **ADJOURNMENT**



### **REPORT**

Southern California Association of Governments Remote Participation Only June 15, 2020

**To:** Scholarship Committee (SC)

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S APPROVAL

From: Jonathan Hughes, Regional Affairs Officer, Regional Services,

213-236-1997, hughesj@scag.ca.gov

Subject: 2020 SCAG Scholarship Program

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### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Recommend one (1) student each from Imperial, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, and Ventura Counties and two (2) students from Los Angeles County, to receive the 2020 SCAG Scholarship Program Award. The Scholarship Committee may, at their discretion (not compulsory), recommend two (2) additional students—from any SCAG county—to also receive a scholarship award. Apart from the SCAG-funded awards, the California Transportation Foundation (CTF) may provide funding for one (1) additional scholarship award. Recommendations will be forwarded to the Regional Council for approval at their next regular meeting on July 2, 2020.

### STRATEGIC PLAN:

This item supports the following Strategic Plan Goal 4: Provide innovative information and value-added services to enhance member agencies' planning and operations and promote regional collaboration.

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

The SCAG Scholarship Committee was formed by the Regional Council to evaluate submitted applications for the SCAG Scholarship Program, the purpose of which is to provide financial support to a select group of high school and community college students and offer local planning experience that students can use to develop their long-term career goals. This year, SCAG received ninety three (93) applications in total, and thirty (30) of those have been forwarded to the Scholarship Committee for further evaluation.

### **BACKGROUND:**

In July 2009, the Regional Council approved the SCAG Scholarship Pilot Program, which is intended to provide financial support to a select group of high school and community college students and offer local planning experience that students can use to develop their long-term career goals. Now in its seventh year, the program is open to high school juniors and seniors and community college students who reside in the six-county SCAG region. Students applying are required to have a minimum 3.0 grade point average and must be enrolled in higher education, if graduating. As part of the application, students are required to submit a completed application form; a minimum 500-



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word essay, describing their interests in urban planning and public policy; two (2) letters of recommendation; and a current transcript of records.

In addition to a monetary award of \$4,000, recipients traditionally also participate in a two-week internship with SCAG or a local planning agency. The purpose of the internship is to introduce students to a career in urban planning and local government, and scholarship recipients traditionally are expected to perform light office work and attend meetings with a designated mentor. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the internship requirement has been waived for the 2020 award year. Students will be invited to attend and be recognized during a Regional Council meeting.

Applications for the SCAG Scholarship Program were originally due (postmarked) by Friday, April 3, 2020. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the deadline was extended to Friday, May 8. SCAG received a total of ninety three (93) applications from throughout the SCAG region. There were nine (9) applications from Imperial County, thirty-one (31) from Los Angeles County, thirty-four (34) from Orange County, nine (9) from Riverside County, eight (8) from San Bernardino County, and two (2) from Ventura County. Applications were screened based on the minimum requirements and on the interests described in the essay portion. Although a majority of the applicants met the minimum requirements, those students that exhibited some interest in planning, public policy, and/or government were selected to be forwarded to the Scholarship Committee.

Staff has forwarded thirty (30) applications, consisting of three (3) from Imperial County, nine (9) from Los Angeles County, eight (8) from Orange County, four (4) from Riverside County, four (4) from San Bernardino County, and two (2) from Ventura County, to the Scholarship Committee for further evaluation. The Scholarship Committee has been asked to evaluate the applications and recommend one (1) finalist each from Imperial, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, and Ventura Counties, and two (2) finalists from Los Angeles County. The Scholarship Committee may, at their discretion (not compulsory), recommend two additional students—from any SCAG county—to also receive a scholarship award. Apart from the SCAG-funded awards, the California Transportation Foundation (CTF) may provide funding for one (1) additional scholarship award. This would be the second year for CTF to match such funding. CTF was founded in 1988 to create a charity that would support the Caltrans community and later expanded to serve private sector and other public transportation agency employees as well. Recommendations will be forwarded to the Regional Council for approval at their next regular meeting on July 2, 2020.

It is suggested that the Scholarship Committee consider the interests of the students in their respective essays, career goals, and activities in each student's school and surrounding community when evaluating the applications. Names and other personal identifiers have been removed from the applications, essays, letters of recommendation, transcripts, and other supporting documents in order to protect the privacy of the students, though each forwarded application has been assigned



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a number for reference. In following practice from prior years, selection of recommended finalists will be via Committee consensus.

### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

The SCAG Scholarship Program cost would be a minimum of \$28,000 for seven (7) scholarship awards, or a maximum of \$36,000 if two additional scholarships are awarded. Funds are included in the FY 2019-2020 General Fund Budget.

### ATTACHMENT(S):

- 1. Imperial County Applications: 102, 103, 105
- 2. Los Angeles County Applications: 201, 202, 204, 208, 215, 221, 222, 224, 230
- 3. Orange County Applications: 304, 313, 317, 318, 323, 324, 326, 332
- 4. Riverside County Applications: 401, 403, 404, 409
- 5. San Bernardino County Applications: 502, 504, 505, 506
- 6. Ventura County Applications: 601, 602
- 7. Orange County Applications: 304, 313, 317, 318, 323, 324, 326

# SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

**ATTACHMENT 1** 

IMPERIAL COUNTY APPLICATION: 102, 103, 105

# Attachment: Imperial County Applications: 102, 103, 105 (2020 SCAG Scholarship Program)

# SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

### APPLICATION FORM

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\*\*Students may be usked to submit proof of eligibility to work in the United States if selected as a semi-finalist.



# Attachment: Imperial County Applications: 102, 103, 105 (2020 SCAG Scholarship Program)

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APPLICANT NO. IM-102	
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### APPLICATION FORM

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Current Education Status (Check	One):	
High School Junior	ligh School Senior Comm	nunity College
If community college student, lis	t semesters completed*:	
High School: Southwest High	gh School	
City/State: El Centro, Califo	ornia	
Date of Graduation: June 2, 2	2020 Grade I	Point Average (Unweighed): 3.88
If graduating senior, name of inte	ended college/university*: Univ	versity of California, Santa Barbara
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A.) List and briefly describe your	extracurricular activities (e.g. m	emberships in organizations, sports, etc.):
Organization Involved	Position Held	Date of Involvement:
California ALA	Delegate	June 2019
Associate Student Body AS	BDirector's Assistant	August 2019-June 2020
Associate Student Body AS	BPublicity Commissioner	August 2018-June 2019
SAVAPA Academy	Vice President	August 2019-2020
SAVAPA Dance Academy	Vice President	August 2019-2020

Brief description of your responsibilities (attach additional page(s) if necessary):

California provided leadership, awareness, and knowledge of governmental processes while learning about the duties, privileges, rights and responsibilities of citizenship. Additionally, ran and was elected City Counsel Member.

ASB Director's Assistant - provided leadership, oversaw 45 Clubs on campus with directives to policies, organization, schedule events, and services. Conduct community services such as Pennies for Patients, Relay for Life, Purple and Gold Christmas, Letters to Patients, Food for Homeless, Shoe, toy, and clothing drive. ASB, Public Commissioner, provided leadership, coordinated different events through the different media, voting process, event planning, and spokesperson. SAVAPA Academy, Vice President, provided leadership oversaw all 5 visual arts components, planned events. SAVAPA Dance Academy, Vice President, develop leadership for underclassmen, Officer of Contact/mentor, organized meetings and dance performances. \* See Attached Resume for Additional Leadership Roles



# Attachment: Imperial County Applications: 102, 103, 105 (2020 SCAG Scholarship Program)

# 2020 SCAG SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY APPLICANT NO. IM-102

COUNTY Imperial

### APPLICATION FORM

### ACTIVITIES & INTERESTS (CONTINUED)

B.) List and briefly describe volunteer activities in which you have been involved

Organization Involved	Activity	Date of Involvement:
Travel Soccer	Calif. State Cup Champions	March 2017
International Key Club	Vice President/Member	September 2016-June 2020
Best Buddies Club	Member/Mentor	September 2016-2019
Varsity Soccer 4 years	Captain	December 2016-Feburary 2020
Varsity		August 2019-2020

Brief description of how you participated (attach additional page(s) if necessary):

Dynamo Travel Soccer Team (9 years)- played in different tournaments in Southern California. State Cup Champions in 2017. International Key Club - organized and lead community events for the elderly, collected donations, involved in UNICEF, sold items to fundraise for donations.

Best Buddies Club- Mentor for special needs students. Lead special needs students at Southwest High School by engaging with them, planning activities, creating a relationship, and helping to familiarize them with school culture.

Varsity Soccer- Lettered for 4 years in varsity girls soccer. Received All League, First Team Award, defensive player of the year, and

C.) List honors or academic awards you have received (e.g., scholarly activities, research, etc.):

Award/Honor	Institution/Organization	Date
Student of the Month	District Board Members	April 2019
Student of the Month	<b>Univision Communications</b>	November 2019
Student Athlete Award 4.00	TSan Diego Union Tribune	February 2018-2020
Special Volunteer Award	International Key Club	June 2016
4.0+ High Achievement	Southwest High School	2016-2020

### D.) List and briefly describe any work experience:

Position	Employer	Dates of Employment
Camp Leader	Jessica Brooks	Feb 2020, Oct 2019, Feb 2018, Oc
Dog sitter/ House sitter	Jackie Huerta	July 2019, August 2019, Septembe
Community Volunteer	Santa Lugo	various events

Brief description of your work responsibilities (attach additional page(s) if necessary):

Camp Leader- Mentor and assist children (grade K-12), overseeing camp, demonstrate/teach dance routines, and create relationships to encourage confidence, and impromptu stage performances. Fundraised for our SAVAPA Program for educational/dance trips. Dog/House sitter- supervised house, maintained and watered plants, fed and bathe, dog.

Calipatria Little League Basketball Program volunteer and assist with community functions/activities - assistant at snack bar to fundraise for the basketball program with needed supplies, served as a mentor, and provide help with community events.



### Southwest High School

August 2016-to present - currently 12th grade 4.0 TGPA - High Honor Student - each year

**Dual Enrollment with Imperial Valley College** – 6/2016 Enrolled in extra courses for college credits: Communication

### EXPERIENCE / VOLUNTEERISM / ACTIVITIES

### ALA State Delegate 2019 - Nominated for City Council at program

Associate Student Body (ASB) <u>Director's Assistant</u> for the school year 2019-2020 - assist with all school activities on and off campus, volunteered in the community relative to ASB functions.

# Associate Student Body (ASB) - Publicity Commissioner 08/2018- 2019

Promote and organize school events for all students and conduct community services for our local communities such as Purple and Gold Christmas, Relay for Life and Pennies for Patients.

### CIF San Diego Section Competitive

School Year 2019-2020 - 1st Place Champions in our division.

SAVAPA ACADEMY for Visual & Performing Arts – Schoolwide – Vice President 2019–2020 for the 5 components of SAVAPA (includes Dance, Design Animation, Art, Music, Theater)

SAVAPA DANCE ACADEMY - Vice President 2019-2020 for Dance Component and Program

ACADEMIC DEAN'S LIST - 2016 - to Present - (all 4 years)

### International Key Club — Member - Vice President

9/2016-6/2018

Assist elderly at Convalescent with daily chores, gather needed items for conations, conduct volunteer hours for non profit organizations.

### Best Buddies - Mentor for Special Needs Students

9/2016 - to 2019

Lead and Mentor special needs students at Southwest High School by engaging with them, to better help them familiarize with school culture.

### SAVAPA DANCE ACADEMY — Dance Team

9/2016 - to Present

Perform visual dancing arts for our school and community.

### **SKILLS**

Excellent Speaking Skills

**Excellent Organization Skills** 

### AWARDS

Southwest High School Student of the Month - 2020 Selected and presented Certificate by Board Members/District Meeting

ALA State Award 2019 - Delegate

CIF Championship Competitive Cheer Team 2020 - 1st Place

Univision Communications Student of the Month Award Recipient - 2020

Varsity Soccer "Defensive Player of the Year Award" 2/2020

2018-19 San Diego Union -Student Athlete Award - 4.00 TGPA

2019-2020 San Diego Union -Student Athlete Award - 4.00 TGPA

4.0 TGPA High Achievement Award 2016-to present

3.5+ above TGPA Student-Athlete CIF Academic Award - Varsity Soccer Award

All League First Team Award -Imperial Valley 2018-2019

All League First Team Award -Imperial Valley 2019-2020

Letter in Varsity Soccer 3/2017

### Varsity Soccer — Lettered for 4 years in

Soccer

11/2016 -current \*Received All League - First Team Award

2/2020 - Defensive Player of the Year

### Dynamo Travel Soccer Club - 9/2012 - to current

Soccer Competitive Team – played in different locations in Southern California. Earn State Cup Championship 4/2017

Junior/Senior

### LANGUAGES

English/Spanish

Letter in Academic High

Honors for TGPA 3/2017

Key Club - International Club

- Special Award for Volunteer

### Early Academic Outreach Program (EAOP) — Program

8/2016 to current

Attended Summer Program - Advanced Placement Psychology Course.

Track and Field - 2/2016 - participant

Southwest High School 2020 SCAG Scholarship Essay

"Your Interest in Urban Planning, Public Policy, and/or Public Service and Future Career Goals"

My name is , I am a senior at Southwest High School in El Centro, California, Imperial County. It is with great interest that I apply for the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) Scholarship for 2020.

My interest in applying for this scholarship is the compatibility I possess with the criterias of public services. Most recently, I was selected as the California Delegate for my school. During this time, I ran for City Counsel and experienced the process of running for office as a citizen. Through this process, I developed an insight into the world of public services from campaigning for office, to public policies, and the outcome of once elected into office. This experience elevated even further, when the competition grew as each delegate presented their own argumentation and public debate speech.

Another event that marked my ambition to go into urban planning, public policy, and public services was when I ran for President of my Associate Student Body (ASB) as a senior. The event sparked a competitive moment in the running for this elected position. The entire Associate Student Body of 2000 students was illuminated with excitement and all I could hear were cohoes of cheer for my speech. This experience was the tip of the iceberg, nevertheless, I was chosen as Director's Assistant versus President. The elected position of Director's Assistant is the right hand of our ASB Student Council and Director, where along with my Director we oversee 45 clubs on our campus from policies, to organizing events, extracurricular activities/presentations, and services as School Council Members.

Last year, I held the position of Associate Student Body - Publicity Commissioner, where I additionally ran for office and the duties included the coordination of our different events through the different media, voting process, event planning, and spokesperson.

These are a few of the positions I have held, but not limited to. I also held the title of Vice President of our SAVAPA Program - Southwest Academy of Visual and Performing Arts that include 5 components with 130 students in the program. Along with Vice President for the individual Dance Component of the SAVAPA, where I danced for 3 years. Likewise, upon entering high school, I continued developing my leadership and passion for service by becoming a member of the International Key Club Association as Vice President/Member. Through this

international association, I became aware of the different community service programs available in my community. This impact allowed me to further involve myself outside into my community by volunteering at the local retirement home, where I spent time with the elderly giving back. Along with involvement with other service clubs at my high school such as the Best Buddies Club, where I mentored special needs underclassmen to also give back. At this time, public service became gratifying and I became passionate about it.

I have been accepted for admission to the University of California Santa Barbara (UCSB) and plan to major in Political Science with a minor in psychology. At UCSB I also planned on becoming involved in student government. This experience will allow me to voice my thoughts and research issues that will make an impact in our student body, and where I can prepare myself for future governmental offices. Upon completion of my Bachelors' Degree, I plan to continue my education with a Master Degree in Law. My plans are to dedicate my time and efforts in making a difference in our community and demonstrate change by being a leader and mentor to others.

The valuable experiences of running for the different offices at Southwest High has mirrored a good establishment for how I see the opportunity to make positive changes in my community. I see myself in public service one day, holding similar meetings and discussions for the good of the cause and maximizing our resources for a better tomorrow. I look forward to your assistance with this scholarship, as it will pave the way for me financially, and know that I will meet my future career with your support.

# Southwest High School



2001 Ocotillo Drive El Centro, California 92243 Phone (760) 336-4100 School Fax (760) 353-0467 \* Administration Fax (760) 353-3116

It is with highest honors that I write this letter of recommendation for scholarship. is a one of a kind student with integrity who is driven, focused, and resilient that I have had the pleasure of encountering.

is among our top achieving students and has demonstrated to be a multi community, along with receiving recognition from well-rounded student in our school and in currently has a Total Grade Point Average of 4.06 and has been on other outside programs. was selected as the the Dean's List throughout high school. Delegate 2019 for Southwest High School as a junior and participated in the program where also ran for office. Additionally, awarded the All Academic Team Honor with the San Diego Union-Tribune as a student- athlete for the 4th year in Varsity Soccer and maintaining high enjoys challenging through the Advanced Placement (AP) and marks. International Baccalaureate (IB) courses that are offered at Southwest High School. has taken a variety of courses such as AP English Lang, AP US History, IB Math, AP Psychology through the Early Academic Outreach Program (EAOP), along with taking Oral Communication from the Imperial Valley College - Dual Enrollment Program as continuously strives to open opportunities for learning. Through academic work at SHS additionally lettered in Academics at SHS with High Honors.

, has demonstrated excellent leadership characteristics by holding multiple positions on our school campus. Among those positions includes Director's Assistant for the Associates Student Body (ASB) where assists the Director with all activities on and off campus for the entire student body. also holds office of Vice President for the Southwest Academy of Visual and Performing Arts (SAVAPA) Programs, along with Vice President for the SAVAPA Dance component where has danced for the past three (3) years on stage for the entire school and community. Additionally, is Captain of Varsity Soccer Team where played for four (4) consecutive years in Varsity, along with receiving Defensive Player of the Year 2020. Additionally, is on the where group won 1st place in CIF 2019-20 for their category. Most recently, was nominated as WinterBall earned recognition among peers. Among other recognitions includes earning All League First Team Award for Imperial County . Along with volunteering for the Key Club International Club for 3 years - a non-profit organization where assists the eldering in our community.

served as a mentor for the special needs students in our school in the Best Furthermore, for the past 10 years to Buddies Club. has long dedicated Travel Soccer Club where competitive soccer team won the Southern California State Cup Championship in 2017. a not only excels in education, as well as, serves as a mentor with peers comes in contact with. is viewed by peers in a positive role and leadership is evident, thus enabling to positively impact school and community. shows resilience, hard work, leadership, self-motivation, and determination in any challenging task that confronts These characteristics have distinguished from the rest of the student population in our school.

There is absolutely no doubt that is an excellent choice for your scholarship considering is multi-talented and a very well rounded student and will be evident if given the opportunity for your scholarship. is a student of high caliber with an amazing ability to accomplish all that is presented to contribution will leave an everlasting impression.

Please feel free to contact me at (760) 336-4280 or via email at jmoreno@mycuhsd.org for additional information.

Respectfully Submitted.

Julie Moreno, Head Counselor Southwest High School

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February 20, 2020

### To Whom It May Concern:

It is with great pleasure that I write this letter of recommendation for was in my AP English Language and Composition class last year and is currently in my 12<sup>th</sup> grade Expository Reading and Writing Class.

I have known for almost two years now, but stood out as an excellent student from the very beginning. can be described as a responsible and hard-working is well-organized and sets high goals for works diligently. earned high marks in my class last year and continues to maintain above a 4.0 GPA. has various interests outside of the academic classroom, including , SAVAPA Dance, and soccer, both Varsity Soccer and the Dynamo Travel team. also enjoys painting and traveling.

has many positive attributes, but the traits that stand out is a special kind of student. about drive and focus. The way acts in class and the way conducts willingness to do the work necessary to succeed. has a type of confidence that expresses age. It is easy to see why not typical in most students. has been recognized academically, including Student of the Month, Award, and Student-Athlete CIF Academic Award athletic recognition, including a CIF for soccer. attitude of excellence has also resulted in Championship for and an All-League First Team Award for soccer.

plans to graduate from a four-year university, with a major in Speech Pathology, and pursue a career as a speech therapist. I expect that will attain this goal and accomplish many other great things in the future.

If you have any questions regarding , please feel free to call me at (760) 336-4104. Sincerely,

Mr. Adan Huerta

English 12 Teacher/Southwest High School

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# 2020 SCAG Scholarship Program - IM-103

### **Personal Information**

**Full Name** 

All items marked with \* are required.

**Address** 

**United States** 

County **Imperial** 

**Phone Number** 

E-mail

**Internship Availability** July 2020

August 2020

September 2020

# **Educational Information**

**Current Educational Status** 

High School Senior

**Date of Graduation** Friday, June 5, 2020

Name of Educational Institution Imperial High School

**Location of Educational Institution** IMPERIAL, California **United States** 

**Grade Point Average (GPA) Type** Unweighted

**Grade Point Average (GPA)** 3.65

**Intended College / University** Imperial Valley College

**Intended Major** Agriculture

# **Activities & Interests**

A) List and Briefly Describe Your Extracurricular Activities (e.g., Memberships in Groups, Sports, etc.):

Organization	Position Held	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
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Organization	Position Held	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
Imperial FFA	member	08/2016 to 06/2020
Imperial Valley Discovery Zone	high school explainer	08/2018 to 06/2020

### **Description of Responsibilities:**

attended meetings, contests and conferences that taught leadership skills and responsibility. taught science lessons to elementary school students.

B) List and Briefly Describe Volunteer **Activities in Which You Have Been** Involved:

Organization	Activity	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
Humane Society of Imperial County	Donated Supplies	09/2017 to 09/2019
Spread the Love	Donate Meals	08/2018 to 09/2019

### **Brief Description of Your Participation:**

donated pet supplies and volunteered for community service hours. donated meals to those in need.

C) List Honors or Academic Awards You Have Received (e.g., Scholarly Activities, Research, etc.):

Organiza tion	Award / Honor	MM/YY YY
IVROP	AG Systems Management ROP Outstanding Student	05/20 17
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D) List and Briefly Describe Any Work **Experience:** 

Organization	Position Held	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY		
Jete Academy	Instructor	09/2019 to present		

### **Brief Description of Your Work Responsibilities:**

teach dance to students of various age groups.

To the best of my knowledge, the contents of my application are accurate and I am authorized to work in the United States.†

Agree

My name is and I am years old. I was raised and have lived in the Imperial Valley my whole life. I am a graduating senior of Imperial High School's class of 2020. After high school, I plan to attend Imperial Valley College and later transfer to further my education and pursue a career in the agricultural field, more specifically animal science. By studying animal science, I hope to be able to work with animals, but not as a veterinarian. Being part of the FFA program in high school taught me so much more about the meaning and importance of agriculture, not only in our community, but all around the world.

By gaining this knowledge, I learned that agriculture is not just growing plants in a field, but that it involves many other aspects including animals and people. I have obtained this awareness through the past three years of having market swine projects. Due to my projects, I have learned about the science of the feed being fed to the animals. This study is important for the health of the animals, along with the environment. This is because as the food is processed and defecated by the animal, it will eventually end up in our soils. If the feed contains certain chemicals which are not harmful to the animal, but could negatively affect the soil, our crops would be contaminated. Although certain feeds may not affect the health of the animal, it can affect their product. From consuming contaminated animal products, humans can be infected with disease. For example, if one was to consume pork contaminated with bacteria, they could become infected with a foodborne infection.

With the proper education and study, I believe I can do my part in healthy urban planning. I would like to eventually develop a company, which specializes in feed production. I desire to work in labs, along with livestock breeders. In the labs, we would conduct multiple tests which determine what should and should not go into feeds. In order to determine whether these

feeds would be acceptable for animal usage, breeding companies would be provided with feeds for testing. In return, breeders would provide feedback of the positive and negative effects on the animals and their effects to the environment. With today's and future technology, identifying the materials that are suitable for the health of animals is simpler and more accurate. The main goal of this company would be to create a feed which is the most beneficial to all aspects of the continuous cycle.

Being granted the opportunity of this scholarship, would allow for me to be one step closer in fulfilling my goals of not only completing my education, but as well as having a chance to be more successful in my career. I feel that this opportunity is something that would not only benefit my personal goals, but also those of developing a better, healthier, and safer environment for everyone and everything involved now and in the future.

Imperial High School 517 W Barioni Blvd. Imperial, CA 92251 (760) 355-3220

April 23, 2020

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing this letter of recommendation at the request of

I have known for four years in my capacity as a Science teacher at Imperial High School. took Biology during freshman year and took Anatomy/Physiology in junior year from me earning excellent grades in both courses. Based on grades, attendance and class participation, I'd rate academic performance in my class as excellent.

has a number of strengths to offer. is always interested in supporting others; is very responsible and respectful of authority and policies. is very trustworthy, an excellent citizen, and amazing human being.

During high school years has been involved in CSF, Band, Imperial Valley Discovery Zone (IVDZ), and FFA -where raised pigs for 3 years.

took Honor English classes, AP World History and AP Physics.

In conclusion, I would highly recommend for being a recipient of the scholarship offered by your organization. If performance in my class is an indication of how would perform in her future education, will be a positive addition to any institution. If you should ever need any additional information you can feel free to contact me at any time.

Sincerely,

Paula Cozzani MD PhD Anatomy/Physiology and Biology Teacher (760) 355-3220 ext. 22203 pcozzani@imperialusd.org

# Imperial High School- Agriculture Department 517 W. Barioni Blvd., Imperial, CA 92251



April 20, 2020

To whom it may concern,

I am writing this letter on behalf of the Imperial High School Agriculture (AG) Program in reference to . . . has been actively involved in all aspects of our AG Program that includes the FFA Leadership and AG Enterprises. is a great student in the AG program that continues to strive for excellence and pursue goals. We consider a role model for our AG/FFA students in the program.

In previous years, raised market swine projects that were not only of great economic success but swine projects ranked the highest in division. is an astute student with great awareness for endeavors. dedication to commitments seems effortless. From the very start in our program 4 years ago, embraced the role of a team player and involved as a cooperative and valuable member in our AG program.

As a student leader within the FFA Chapter, has served as Headbarnsperson for 2 years during our county fair. duties were to plan, organize and execute tasks for the Swine Group (50-60 students). In the Agriculture Science classes, has proven to be a great leader and contributor in all aspects of group work and delegating tasks to others. continues to volunteer and get involved in fundraising efforts and organizing the Chapter's tasks. With leadership has sparked interest from all our students as evident to their unprecedented participation.

I personally have worked with for the past 4 years as AG Teacher and FFA Advisor and I am proud to say that, in my 20 years of educational service, there has not been another student who can match up with leadership attributes. continues to and pursue other interests. challenge is a person with desire and determination in accomplishing the task at hand. is well liked and respected by peers. is willing to attempt new challenges and succeed on excels in other school organizations as own. a leader as well, being in CSF and Imperial Valley Discovery Zone (IVDZ)I.

sense of maturity has enabled to face all odds and make a valiant effort in succeeding. is a humble and respectful person who is always taking the responsibility to complete all tasks. is understanding and creates excellent rapport with a multitude of faculty, staff, and more importantly the students serves. Allow me to share my highest recommendation of to your committee as will pay immediate dividends to any honor you may bestow. Please feel free to contact me at (760) 355-3220 ext. 22306 or (760) 556-8087 if you have any questions or comments.

Sincerely, **Johnny Esquer**Mr. Johnny Esquer

IHS Agriculture Teacher & FFA Advisor

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Grade: 12

GPA: Credit Summary

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# 2020 SCAG Scholarship Program - IM-105

### **Personal Information**

**Full Name** 

All items marked with \* are required.

**Address** 

**United States** 

County

**Phone Number** 

E-mail

Internship Availability

July 2020

August 2020

# **Educational Information**

Current Educational Status
High School Senior

**Date of Graduation** Thursday, June 11, 2020

Name of Educational Institution Calexico High School

Location of Educational Institution Calexico, California

Grade Point Average (GPA) Type

Weighted

Grade Point Average (GPA) 4.23

Intended College / University University of California, San Diego

Intended Major Management Science

## **Activities & Interests**

A) List and Briefly Describe Your Extracurricular Activities (e.g., Memberships in Groups, Sports, etc.):

Organization	Position Held	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY				

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Organization	Position Held	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
Student Government	Member	08/2017 to 06/2018
Class Executive Board	Vice President	08/2017 to 06/2018
YMCA	Leader in Training	06/2018 to 06/2018

### **Description of Responsibilities:**

As part of student government, I was responsible for supporting and implementing many kinds of school events, such as pep rallies, sport banquets, dances, school blood drives and importantly our annual culminating event: the senior graduation ceremony. To prepare for many of these events, I've had to stay after school or be at school early in the morning before class starts. I worked with some incredible peers, and was happy to serve and help create memories for the students at my high school.

Along with the President, I took charge of creating skits, fundraising money, and organizing class activities with my classmates during my time in the class executive board.

In 2018 I participated in a summer program at the YMCA engaged as a leader-in-training, where I facilitated activities for younger children and helped counselors supervise them. We learned and implemented specific skills for working with kids and co-workers, and planned and led group activities.

### B) List and Briefly Describe Volunteer Activities in Which You Have Been Involved:

Organization	Activity	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
Relay for Life	Cancer Charity Walk	10/2019 to 10/2019

### **Brief Description of Your Participation:**

I've joined Relay for Life fundraising campaigns for a cure for cancer and participated in their Cancer Charity Walk. I helped monitor and supervise children while I guided an arts and crafts workshop at the event. Those experiences truly opened my eyes on how cancer has affected my community which comes to show that efforts for raising awareness is critical.

C) List Honors or Academic Awards You Have Received (e.g., Scholarly Activities, Research, etc.):

Organization	Award / Honor	MM/YY YY
Calexico High School	Academic Achievement Award	06/20 18
Calexico High School	Honor Roll	06/20 18
Calexico High School	Academic Top Ten	06/20 19
The College Board	AP Scholar with Honor Award	07/20 19
Calexico High School	Academic Excellence Award	09/20 19
Calexico Unified School District	District Student of the Month	11/20 19

To the best of my knowledge, the contents of my application are accurate and I am authorized to work in the United States.†

Agree

### A Better Tomorrow

I'm grateful for the experiences that made me the person I am today because they made me passionate about being a leader, a leader that makes a positive difference in people's lives, a leader that gives comfort and reassurance that there's someone who cares and is always there to help. In my time in student government, class executive board, and other activities, I helped prepare and set up events, such as homecoming dances, sports banquets, pep rallies, and the senior graduation ceremony. It brought me joy that I contributed to the making of important memories for the students at my high school. As I grow older, I want to pursue a career in public service to tackle the issues that the people have to face in their daily lives and provide the resources and services that help the common good.

Urban planning and public policy are crucial when it comes to addressing not only local and nationwide issues, but global issues as well like the climate crisis and the current coronavirus pandemic. Across the United States, we've been experiencing multiple challenges from shortages of supplies to growing public unease due to the measures taken to control the spread of COVID-19. This is where strategic, effective planning and forward thinking policies will play a major role in how to rise to the challenges that society faces not only now, but in the future. By implementing measures that balance the way of life with correlating scientific data, I believe that we will be better suited to address these issues that affect daily life.

Coming from the small border town of Calexico (pop. 38,000) that abuts the Baja California capital city of Mexicali, with a population that is close to 1 million, has shown me first-hand how public policies affect the lives not only from the rural US side, but also on the urban Mexican side. In Mexicali, I see the lack of urban planning in its old and abandoned

buildings, worn-out roads, and make-shift homes which shows the dark reality of socio-economic inequalities. Moreover, Calexico and the rest of the Imperial Valley gets some of the hazy brown air pollution from Mexicali, in addition to the local dust and pollutants from the Imperial Valley farming operations. My exposure to all these conditions made me realize the major role urban planning and public policy plays in society at all levels.

Since I was little, I knew that college leads to greater opportunities: it's where one can not only reach, but also exceed one's potential. That's why I am happy that I will attend the University of California, San Diego, but getting a university degree is just the beginning. My hope is to be a part of something important where I can give help to those that need it and with your internship opportunity, I want to further explore my interest in these areas, so I can build my experience and knowledge, so that one day I can serve and help elevate the human condition by planning today for a better tomorrow.

Alegna G. Granados 1030 Encinas Ave. Calexico, CA, 92231 (760) 768-3980 ext. 4021

May 6, 2020

To Whom It May Concern:

It is with great pleasure that I recommend for your scholarship. I have had the honor of instructing in AP Language & Composition during Junior year at Calexico High School.

As a student in my class, was a responsible scholar and a fierce debater. would eagerly volunteer in sharing analysis of the text during class discussions, both online and in would even make astute connections of the texts to other AP classes such as AP U.S. History when we were analyzing the U.S Constitution and the Bill of Rights, to name a few. Because of cleverness, was even able to apply specific skills that learned in AP Psychology into test-taking strategies and, at one point, earning a perfect score on a difficult exam in my class. ingenuity was truly astounding as it even led to achieve a perfect score on the English section of the SBAC.

Throughout the school year, not only demonstrated could speak and listen attentively, but could also give elaborate explanations in writing, showing just how thoughtful and in-depth thinking was on the reading. For these reasons, was chosen as a Lead in the upcoming Socrative Seminar that the class would be having about Equity. was more than prepared for this event and proved as both a capable and firm leader. encouraged classmates to share their insights on the readings and was able to keep the discussion flowing until the class bell rudely ended the seminar and the class.

With this scholarship to help financially, I am more than confident that will succeed and thrive in a collegiate environment with other like-minded individuals. has the courage and the confidence to pave any path that wishes for her future; therefore, I strongly encourage you to consider for your scholarship.

Sincerely,

Alegna G. Granados AP Language & Composition Wednesday, May 6, 2020

To Whom It May Concern:

: I have It gives me great pleasure in writing this letter of recommendation for for around 14 years. is the of a colleague and my son and were in the same daycare together. Throughout the years, mom would speak of and all wonderful accomplishments. I finally had the chance to really meet during Sophomore year. was my Geometry student during the 2017-2018 school Before even walked into my class, I already had high expectations of didn't disappoint and previous academic success I already knew of reinforced my perception of intelligence, hard-working ethic and dedication. I also personally witnessed the great character, compassion and responsibility that mother had instilled in In my class, I also witnessed a student that took initiative to lead group and take full responsibility to not only be successful for but for the success of the group. This meant group members and help teach them the course content. had to assist was one of my top students and earned an A as has done in all classes throughout high school career.

currently has a 4.23 Overall GPA. has taken 4 AP classes and is currently taking three more which will raise GPA even more. Each year has been at the top of class and has received many academic honors. was also given a District Student of the Month award this school year in November. The school principal selects two students to be recognized at the monthly School Board meeting. Furthermore, in final year of high school and in a class of around 700 students, will easily end up in the top 10 with a probable final academic ranking of #8.

has shown tremendous success in the classroom, however, has also shown that serving school community is just as important. I have also witnessed a personal growth in that is attributed to experiences in ASB and also due to being a student leader and representative. was involved in many community service activities that not only made a huge difference in our school community, they also helped develop an inner confidence that has made an even more incredible. Activities such as food drives, toy drives and blood drives involved not just volunteering time, but also having to reach out to the school community to convince others to have the same passion for the cause by either donating or participating.

is a friendly, mature, respectful and driven . is determined and is willing to work hard for success. record is impeccable and so far has shown that can and will achieve all goals. I have a strong belief that will continue to make an impact in our community and society and the world will be a better place because of

Sincerely.

Frank Noriega
Dean of Students
Calexico High School
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Student Name				
Perm ID	State I	D	Grd 12	Gen
Date Of Birth		Phone	•	
Home Address		•		

Yr: 2017

AP CP 0076

### Calexico Unified School District Calexico High School



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Counselor

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<b>CP</b> 3896	SPANISH III 1S	A+	5.00 / 5.00	<b>CP</b> 2166	MATH ANALYSIS 1S	A-	5.00 / 5.00					
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Class	of 2020			

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**CP** 8897

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AP WORLD HIST 2S

# SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

# **ATTACHMENT 2**

LOS ANGELES COUNTY APPLICATIONS: 201, 202, 204, 208, 215, 221, 222, 224, 230

# 2020 SCAG Scholarship Program - LA-201

### **Personal Information**

**Full Name** 

All items marked with \* are required.

**Address** 

**United States** 

County Los Angeles

**Phone Number** 

E-mail

Internship Availability July 2020

## **Educational Information**

Current Educational Status
High School Senior

**Date of Graduation** Friday, June 10, 2022

Name of Educational Institution Long Beach Polytechnic High School

**Location of Educational Institution**Long Beach, California
United States

Grade Point Average (GPA) Type

Weighted

**Grade Point Average (GPA)** 4.70

Intended College / University Georgetown University

Intended Major Government

# **Activities & Interests**

A) List and Briefly Describe Your Extracurricular Activities (e.g., Memberships in Groups, Sports, etc.):

Organization	Position Held	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
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Organization	Position Held	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY		
Cal YMCA Youth & Government	Delegation President	10/2018 to 02/2020		
Youth Leadership Long Beach	Selected Member	09/2018 to 05/2019		
School Site Council	Student Representative	09/2017 to present		
Model United Nations	Secretary General	12/2017 to present		
Academy	Member	09/2017 to present		
Speech and Debate	President	09/2017 to present		
Poly Varsity Soccer	Member	06/2017 to 02/2020		

#### **Description of Responsibilities:**

In the Youth & Government program I serve as delegation president and organize volunteer events and hold meetings. The delegation drafts a bill that I write and complete all supplemental materials for. We also attend three conferences in Fresno and Sacramento. In Model United Nations I am Secretary General and responsible for running and coordinating our school's conference. I also compete in other conferences where I am required to research and debate various international issues. As a member of Academy I have done various volunteer projects, including making and serving meals at the Ronald McDonald House. As president of the Speech and Debate club I coordinate meetings and help with club fundraising in addition to competing in speech and debate competitions. I serve as an elected student representative for my school's School Site Council in which I review budget proposals and funding requests for projects meant to help with student achievement. I was one of 40 Long Beach high school students to be selected for the Youth Leadership Long Beach program. I attended monthly meetings where we learned about various community issues and initiatives and as a group held our own sustainability workshop. As a member of the Poly soccer team I attend summer training, go to practices five times a week, and play in games and tournaments. In the past we have also hosted a summer soccer camp for younger athletes.

# B) List and Briefly Describe Volunteer Activities in Which You Have Been Involved:

Organization	Activity	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY				
American Youth Soccer Organization	Coach	08/2018 to 12/2109				
Lena Gonzales Campaign for State Senate	Canvasser	02/2019 to 05/2019				
Alan Lowenthal Campaign for State Assembly	Canvasser	09/2018 to 09/2018				
Dana Branch Library	Program Assistant	06/2017 to 09/2017				

#### **Brief Description of Your Participation:**

As a volunteer for the Dana Branch Library, I assisted with the summer reading program and led

registration as well as prize distribution. I also helped monitor other library events. While volunteering for the Lena Gonzalez and Josh Lowenthal campaigns I canvassed the districts. I went do to door to speak with voters about the candidates and went to campaign event. As a coach for the American Youth Soccer Organization I organized and led practices and coached during weekly games.

C) List Honors or Academic Awards You Have Received (e.g., Scholarly Activities, Research, etc.):

Organization	Award / Honor	MM/YY YY
Poly High School	International Ambassador	06/20 19
Poly High School	Junior Honor Guard	05/20 19
Poly High School	Pursuit of Excellence	05/20 19
College Board	AP Scholar with Distinction	07/20 19
College Board	AP Scholar with Honor	07/20 18
UCSD MUN	Outstanding Delegate	10/20 19
NCRC MUN	Best Delegate	01/20 20
United States Senate Youth Program	School Nominee	10/20 19
United States Senate Youth Program	School Nominee	10/20 18

D) List and Briefly Describe Any Work Experience:

Organization	Position Held	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
Michel & Associates P.C.	Intern	06/2018 to 09/2018
Long Beach City Council District Eight	Intern	07/2019 to present

#### **Brief Description of Your Work Responsibilities:**

I was an intern at Michel & Associates and completed administrative duties and did court shadowing. Currently as an intern for Long Beach City Council District Eight, I consult with constituents, assist at local events, and help create promotional and printed materials.

To the best of my knowledge, the contents of my application are accurate and I am authorized to work in the United States.†

Agree

I have played soccer for thirteen years. I first started soccer in the Long Beach Youth Soccer Organization, playing games on the field of the middle school I would later attend and practicing in a park my grandmother would take me to after school. My mother would rush after work to pick me up from daycare to take me to soccer practice, and when my mom couldn't, other parents would drive me. My coach would sometimes drive me home from games and during the summer I went to a soccer camp hosted by the high school I now go to. I was always asking for rides or if I could sleepover at someone's house because my mom was at work or on a business trip.

I still play soccer, and I owe that to the people that were generous enough to help my mom and I. To the people who held free soccer camps, the parents that asked if I needed a ride, and to my coaches who would stay late after practice and wait with me until my mom picked me up. I had a system of support that allowed me to be successful, and I am so grateful for the opportunities that I have been given. I want to be able to give similar opportunities to others.

Throughout high school I have tried to become more involved in my community. I have been a volunteer for various soccer camps including the one hosted by my high school and coached AYSO soccer for two years. Beyond soccer, I volunteered for the Dana Branch Library and assisted with the summer reading program. I also volunteer for local political campaigns, and I canvassed for the Josh Lowenthal campaign for State Assembly and the Lena Gonzalez campaign for State Senate. At school I am a senior mentor to a freshman; I represent students on the School Site Council; and I helped create a resource center for students to receive free school supplies, hygiene products, and clothes. As a member of Cal YMCA Youth & Government I not only complete the program, I also represent Youth & Government at various city charity events. I have been able to get even more involved with my community by working for my council district.

The work I do at school and within Long Beach has expanded my perspective of what service is. Helping people is not just a concept, and it is important to create a connection with people. That means working with people and going into communities. Policy and projects need to be driven by people. It is important to be involved and inclusive. This is a belief I will take with me as I continue my work.

I will be attending Georgetown University in the fall with a plan to major in government. A major factor that drove my decision to enroll at Georgetown is that it is a service-oriented campus. Georgetown is a Jesuit institution that aims to make men and women for others. During my time at Georgetown I hope to become involved in policy research projects, volunteer within the D.C. school district, and work for one of the many government agencies in the D.C. area.

In the future I want to pursue a career in government. I hope to narrow my interests more in college to better understand what capacity I want to be involved in the government and the types of policy I want to influence. As of now I have interests in education policy and international relations. Though I might very well choose to not have a career in either of those fields. Ultimately, I want to have a career in which I can create systematic change that provides equitable solutions to some of the most pressing issues.



# PACE



PROGRAM OF ADDITIONAL CURRICULAR EXPERIENCES

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March 22, 2020

Patrick J. Gillogly, Teacher AP U.S. History Polytechnic High School 1600 Atlantic Ave Long Beach, CA 90813 (562) 591-0581 x5180 pgillogly@lbschools.net

SCAG Scholarship Selection Committee:

whom I have known for almost three I am writing this letter on behalf of years. I have been teaching AP United States History at Poly High School for sixteen years and Model United Nations for two, and with 185 extraordinary students each year, sometimes it is difficult to explain just how special a particular student really is, but is very special indeed. I cannot remember the last time I had a student as articulate and professional, as mature and confident at public speaking, and more motivated by fulfilling a deep-seeded curiosity as opposed to simply attaining a grade. But the amazing combination of being able to listen as well as speaks and has a positively superior ability to think quickly on feet—as I have seen repeatedly in class and at Model UN conferences. commitment to excellence and genuine brilliance demonstrates that is more than just another perfect GPA student. I have been a little nervous about this letter because I fear that I may lack the ability to be able to adequately represent what an extraordinary student really is. I sincerely hope that I am successful.

I am certain that academic success is very much on display in transcripts and other application materials, from the grades to the rigorous course selection and numerous extra-curricular activities that have driven for the last few years. But it is does these things that I find so impressive, pouring into the Long also how Beach Poly Varsity Soccer Team, attending Board of Education meetings in Long Beach, and of course, as the General Secretary for our Model United Nations program and conference, Jackrabbit MUN II. has also been a very active member of the Youth and Government program in California traveling to the capitol in Sacramento to debate with other students, and has pursued political volunteerism and engagement with a passion that borders on the extreme. But these experiences, these challenges are what drives and —the awards and honors and grades are merely the natural byproduct of that enthusiasm. Perhaps what is most astonishing is the fact that, with all of this talent and success, remains very down-to-earth, pleasant and kind.

I have had the pleasure of knowing very well for the last three years, as has been a very active member of the Model United Nations Program here at Poly. As the advisor and teacher of the Model United Nations class, I am so thankful to have leadership in the class this year, where helps to run simulations, design engaging debate activities for younger delegates, and assists with providing feedback for student position papers. I would really like to share with you a brief story of commitment, enthusiasm. dedication, and charisma. Though was not in the Model United Nations class last year, commitment to the program was extraordinary. In class, we designed the background guides for all of the simulations that we would run at our first conference in May, where delegates from around the state came to debate over issues ranging from the crisis in Russia and Ukraine to the humanitarian crisis in Yemen. Writing these guides were assignments for kids in the class. And though could write the final background guide on the class. approached me and asked if Policing Internet Hate Speech. Since this was right in the wake of the Christchurch shooting in New Zealand, the material was able to compile related to online radicalization, underground criminal movements, as well as hateful speech and the free speech pitfalls of regulation as a global community, was nothing short of amazing. was also the only student not in the class that became head chair of a committee, and committee room ran beautifully. was friendly, egalitarian, knowledgeable and charismatic. The student delegates that left room said it was the best conference that they had ever attended. I am so proud of is truly one of the most extraordinary and organized students that I have ever taught.

I encourage you to contact me should you have any lingering questions. is ready for a challenging experience and I have the greatest confidence that will exceed expectations. is among the very best that we have at Poly High School. Thank you for your consideration of this outstanding individual.

Sincerely,

Patrick J. Gillogly
AP United States History
PACE Program
Model United Nations



#### **ALAUSTIN II**

#### COUNCILMEMBER, EIGHTH DISTRICT CITY OF LONG BEACH

CITY HALL: (562) 570-6685 DISTRICT OFFICE: 570-1326

May 1, 2020

Southern California Association of Governments Attn: 2020 SCAG Scholarship Program 550 South Main Street, Suite 741 Orange, CA 92868

RE: Letter of Recommendation for Emily Hardesty

To Whom It May Concern:

It is with great pleasure that I recommend for the SCAG Scholarship Program.

has shown an exceptional acumen for government and politics from both an academic, as well as public service perspective, that would seem to make a strong fit for this scholarship.

I first met through involvement in the Long Beach YMCA's Youth and Government program. has not only gained a stronger insight into the complexities of the democratic process, but has been able to enhance skills in debating, critical thinking and analysis, which now utilizes in current work in my office.

applied for a summer internship with my office last summer. began as a volunteer, but quickly demonstrated exceptional leadership and communication skills. I hired as a paid administrative intern shortly thereafter. has continued as a paid intern, while balances the work with a rigorous academic course load, leading the Youth and Government program, and serving as a youth soccer coach, among other duties.

has worked on a wide variety of projects during time with my office, including engaging with residents while canvassing neighborhoods and at community events, providing administrative assistance in the office, and helping with the successful organization of events. approaches assignments with a sharp and critical mind and wants to see how individual tasks fit into the bigger picture. Throughout internship, has shown a strong interest, as well as an advanced understanding of government and the ways it can help serve the community.

is ready to meet the challenges and seize opportunities afforded to and would be an excellent candidate for the SCAG Scholarship Program.

Sincerely,

AL AUSTIN II

Councilmember, Eighth District

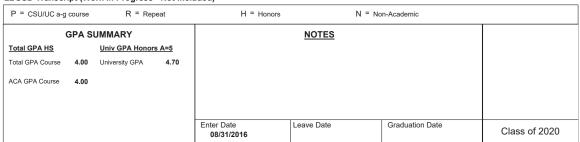
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Home Address					LBUSD Transcript	Counselor	002 001 0001			

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# 2020 SCAG Scholarship Program - LA-202

# **Personal Information**

**Full Name** 

All items marked with \* are required.

**Address** 

County Los Angeles

**Phone Number** 

E-mail

Internship Availability

July 2020

August 2020

September 2020

## **Educational Information**

Current Educational Status
High School Senior

**Date of Graduation** Wednesday, June 10, 2020

Name of Educational Institution Long Beach Polytechnic High School

**Location of Educational Institution**Long Beach, California

Grade Point Average (GPA) Type

Unweighted

Grade Point Average (GPA) 4.0

Intended College / University UC Santa Cruz

Intended Major Political Science

# **Activities & Interests**

A) List and Briefly Describe Your Extracurricular Activities (e.g., Memberships in Groups, Sports, etc.):

Organization	Position Held	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
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Organization	Position Held	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
Model United Nations	Vice President/Director General	08/2018 06/2020
LB Poly Marching Unit	Section Leader	07/2016 01/2020
Symphonic Winds	Section Leader	10/2016 06/2020

#### **Description of Responsibilities:**

As one of the vice presidents of the Model United Nations Program at LB Poly, I am required to run club meetings as well as Chair or Moderate our debates during class and club meetings. I also organize help plan the conferences we compete at and assign our members to which countries or characters they will be representing. In addition to this, I was also a Director-General of our planned Jackrabbit MUN II conference which was supposed to be held during May of this year. I was in charge of planning and organizing the conference.

As a section leader in the Marching Band, I was responsible for managing a group of 10 other students and making sure all of the information was reaching them and taking care of any issues within my section. I was also in charge of coordinating our equipment and loading the trucks before our competitions.

As a section leader in the symphonic wind ensemble, I was in charge of assigning parts to the other section members and ensuring that all of the information about rehearsals and performances were passed on.

#### **Brief Description of Your Participation:**

In Key Club, I volunteered in a variety of activities including tree pantings and beach clean-ups.

C) List Honors or Academic Awards You Have Received (e.g., Scholarly Activities, Research, etc.):

Organization	Award / Honor	MM/ YYYY
Japanese National Honors Society	Member	06/2 018
LB Poly High School	Pursuit of Excellence Award in Social Science	05/2 017
LB Poly High School	Pursuit of Excellence Award in AP Seminar	05/2 019
LB Poly High School	Gold Robe Recipient	03/2 020

D) List and Briefly Describe Any Work **Experience:** 

Organization	Position Held	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
Past & Present	Employee	06/2016 04/2020

#### **Brief Description of Your Work Responsibilities:**

Past & Present is a small business retail store owned by . As an employee there I help customers and ring them up as well as list inventory on an online shopping platform.

To the best of my knowledge, the contents of my application are accurate and I am authorized to work in the United States.†

Agree

When I was entering my junior year of high school I was planning on becoming a history major when I went to college. I have always loved history and studying how people influenced the past and changed it and made the world around me the way it is today and I'm fascinated by it. It was my junior year that I decided to join the Model United Nations program which is run by one of my former history teachers. My experience for the last two years in Model UN has led to my decision now to be a political science major in college and to pursue a career in public policy.

When I joined Model UN I wasn't normally caught up to date on current events or politics, but when I had to debate them I got to do extensive research on complex issues like regulations on net neutrality and the Syrian civil war. I found that I enjoyed being able to come up with solutions to these complex problems with other students with a similar passion for the topics. Although in Model UN we are unable to actually influence how the world handles these issues, we are able to become more educated on the topic and learn valuable negotiating and problem solving skills. Model UN has not only shown me that these are issues that everyone should be thinking about but has also given me a community of people who share the same passion and interest in solving these issues. My experiences have shown me that I want to surround myself with people who care about our future and finding ways to improve it. In Model UN I also learned how to be a leader through becoming one of the Co-Vice Presidents of our program during my senior year and working to improve the program and prepare for our annual conference.

This led me to begin considering other career paths that would allow me to continue my new passion for debate and problem solving. A career in public policy could allow me to continue to debate issues that affect me and everyone around me every day. My problem solving skills that I've gained during my time in Model UN and will continue to hone throughout college will be able to help me negotiate and find solutions that would actually be implemented and used to solve them.

I want to be able to influence my future and the future of those around me and make my community and country a better place, and I believe that the best way for me to do that is through a career in public policy. As I continue to grow and the world continues to change I become more and more sure that this is what I'm passionate about and what I want to be doing. I hope that through pursuing a career in public policy I will be able to change my community for the better and instead of studying the past and how others made the world how it is today, working towards improving our future.



# PACE



PROGRAM OF ADDITIONAL CURRICULAR EXPERIENCES
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March 28, 2020

Patrick J. Gillogly, Teacher AP U.S. History Polytechnic High School 1600 Atlantic Ave Long Beach, CA 90813 (562) 591-0581 x5180 pgillogly@lbschools.net

#### SCAG Scholarship Selection Committee:

I am writing this letter on behalf of whom I have known for over three years. And for the record, I am deeply impressed. I have been teaching AP United States History at Poly High School for sixteen years and with 185 extraordinary students each year, it is difficult to explain how unique a certain student is without writing a long letter like this is likely to be. I apologize in advance. I have seldom had a student as articulate and professional, as mature and well spoken, and as confident in own leadership abilities as as I have seen first-hand in Marching Band and especially in Vice-President of the Model United Nations class and program here at Poly. But also has the amazing combination of being able to listen as well as speaks and has a positively superior ability to think quickly on commitment to excellence is more than just another excellent GPA genuine brilliance demonstrates that and does these things that I find so impressive, student and musician. But it is also how into Model United Nations and numerous music programs despite the pouring diverse array of interests and commitments that have earmarked time. But these experiences, these challenges are what drives and motivates —the awards and honors and grades are merely the natural byproduct of that drive and enthusiasm.

I have had the pleasure of getting to know quite well as was one of 32 students that flew with me last year to participate in the Boston University Invitational Model United Nations Conference. These big east coast conferences are often very competitive and though my students are used to bringing in a haul of awards and honors at the local conferences, the competition level at the college conferences is often shockingly high. But thankfully, that is not why was there; was there to discuss, to debate, to collaborate, to find inspiration in working to find solutions. I know that must sound so you will understand that this is really what cheesy, but if you meet is all about. committee room, where the topics were about net neutrality and the development of sustainable cities, was in her nerdy glory, and I doubt that there was anyone on that committee that had researched more than And I believe that since was not seeking recognition but rather an authentic learning experience, this is why was recognized by chair in the closing ceremonies as one of the leaders of committee. interest in politics and social issues is not just an affectation puts on

to gain credibility among peers, rather it is what genuinely seems to fascinate guide and drive efforts. I am very thankful to have this year as a senior in the Model United Nations class as is fiercely intelligent, highly motivated and genuinely supportive of the younger classmates and less experienced delegates. has taken the initiative on numerous projects from setting up an online peer review process for student delegates to have upper classmen read their position papers before submission and coordinates the volunteers for this activity throughout the program. Likewise, is always ready to take on additional leadership roles in the class and club, from conference organizing to young delegate trainings and the like.

leadership in Model UN, leadership in the Poly Marching Band, commitment to academics and multiple musical ensembles and honor orchestras, all lead me to believe that will excel in a challenging university environment. is observant and clever, smart as a whip and learns very quickly. But is also intensely curious and does not take skills nor intelligence for granted— works very hard. I hope that you get the chance to meet so you can see these qualities for yourself. I encourage you to contact me should you have any lingering questions. Thank you for your consideration of this outstanding individual.

Sincerely,

Patrick J. Gillogly
AP United States History
Model United Nations

October 28, 2019

To Whom It May Concern:

It is my great pleasure to be able to recommend to you. is an exemplary person and a most deserving candidate.

Enrolled in the gifted magnet, Program of Additional Curricular Experiences (PACE), chose to become part of the most rigorously competitive academic program in Long Beach. Successful PACE students, like make a choice early on in their high school career to focus their everyday lives on their end goals. It is within this demanding program that has demonstrated considerable abilities.

decided as a Junior to enter into the AP Capstone program In the context of a competitive program, -- a relatively new AP series of classes that focus on developing research skills in high school students. was a student in my AP Seminar class initially and in a class full of strong personalities I was initially because my first impression was that concerned for was quite demure. really began to reveal true colors when we started discussion in earnest. has developed a real sensitivity to literature and the world around -- something that peers often lacked. is incredibly curious -- a real benefit for a research class -- and approaches life with unmatched enthusiasm. take AP Research senior year and is currently wrestling with a research project that will have examining implicit bias in the context of biracial couples. This topic is of specific concern to has been witness to this entire life and, as with many things wonders about, this will not escape approach to the world's problems is to buckle down and figure scrutiny. things out -- an attitude I respect and admire.

self-selected group for the AP was full of some of the most headstrong students in the class, but helps guide the group with ease. has a calm assurance that's just hard to resist. When pursues understanding of a text, a technique, or an argument does so with a thoroughness that captures the intricacies and nuances of focus of study.

proved me wrong regarding who is and I have a feeling be doing a lot of that.

Thanks for your time.

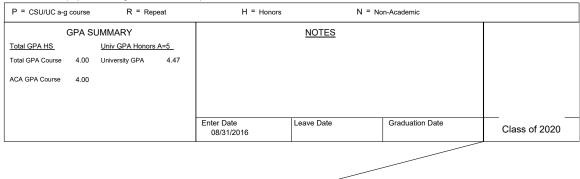
Sincerely yours,

Samantha Lawrence AP Capstone Teacher PACE Facilitator Long Beach Polytechnic

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# 2020 SCAG Scholarship Program - LA-204

### **Personal Information**

**Full Name** 

All items marked with \* are required.

**Address** 

**United States** 

County Los Angeles

**Phone Number** 

E-mail

Internship Availability

July 2020

August 2020

# **Educational Information**

**Current Educational Status** 

High School Senior

**Date of Graduation** 

Wednesday, June 10, 2020

Name of Educational Institution

North High School

**Location of Educational Institution** 

Torrance, California

**Grade Point Average (GPA) Type** 

Unweighted

**Grade Point Average (GPA)** 

4.0

**Intended College / University** 

California Polytechnic State University-San Luis Obispo

Intended Major

**Environmental Engineering** 

# **Activities & Interests**

A) List and Briefly Describe Your Extracurricular Activities (e.g., Memberships in Groups, Sports, etc.):

Organization	Position Held	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
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Organization	Position Held	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
North High School Varsity Swim	Most Valuable Varsity Swimmer, CIF Finalist	09/2016 to 03/2020
	Leader	09/2013 to 02/2017
Math Club	Treasurer	09/2019 to 03/2020

#### **Description of Responsibilities:**

In these particular activities, in my earlier years, I was always an underdog. My parents forced me to join competitive swimming in the first place in order to help me lose weight, and I had to get used to getting beaten every race by kids half my age. I was by far the youngest in my troop, and had to work twice as hard to prove to my scoutmaster and my fellow scouts that I was capable of handling my responsibilities and carrying out my duties. All of this instilled in me an unwavering work ethic, and I learned to just put my nose to the grindstone and prove to everyone else what I could do. I eventually improved vastly in my swimming, even earning the title of "Most Valuable Swimmer" my sophomore year and making it all the way to the CIF Finals in Swimming my Junior Year. I was also promoted to be in my , taking over such duties as representing my at joint events and guiding my in all activities, including things like the Invitational Field Day Competitions. As an older, more experienced swimmer, I also made sure to pay special attention to those new to the team, remembering my earlier position and doing things like teaching them stroke technique and walking them through their first races and competitions. In both the swim team, I took on a mentorship role for those younger than me. As the Math Club treasurer, I helped to organize and work fundraisers, prepare materials for club meetings, and keep track of funds and expenditures.

#### B) List and Briefly Describe Volunteer Activities in Which You Have Been Involved:

Organization	Activity MN				
International Environmental Service Club	Environmental Service (Secretary, Vice President)	02/2018 to 03/2020			
National Honor Society	Community Service (President)	09/2018 to 03/2020			
Madrona Marsh	Restoration (Advanced Restoration Crew)	02/2020 to 03/2020			
Palos Verdes Land Conservancy	Restoration (Team Leader)	02/2018 to 03/2020			
Project Planet	Environmental Education Outreach (Head of Virtual Programs)	03/2020 to 03/2020			

Organization	Activity	MM/YYY Y to MM/YYY Y
California Scholarship Federation	Community Service	09/2017 to 03/2020
7cups.com	Volunteer Online Therapy	03/2020 to 03/2020

#### **Brief Description of Your Participation:**

As I believe that my purpose in being put in this world is to leave as widespread and as profound a positive impact that I can on my fellow humans, over the past few years, I have dedicated most of my life outside of academics to the pursuit of helping others. My main interests lie in the environmental sciences, so I focused most of my time in leading restoration and conservation efforts with community volunteers, making sure to educate the younger volunteers in the importance of environmental service and fighting for environmental health and rights. In this way, I have found an avenue through which I can create groups of volunteers that will continue my work even after I leave for college, ensuring that my efforts will continue to aid the environment and the people that depend on it. Outside of environmental service, I have also attained leadership roles in other, broader community service organizations like the National Honor Society and the California Scholarship Federation. These organizations allow me to not only serve my local community myself, but also allow me to enable students around me to do the same. In the National Honor Society, I lead monthly meetings and organize community service events for around 80 club members to participate in and give back to their hometown. Finally, in light of the circumstances that have arisen due to the COVID-19 virus, I have even found ways to volunteer from home, going online to sites like 7cups.com to offer therapy and a listening ear to those struggling with hardships.

C) List Honors or Academic Awards You Have Received (e.g., Scholarly Activities, Research, etc.):

Organization	Award / Honor	MM /YY YY
North High School Varsity	Most Valuable Award	05/ 201 8
Palos Verdes/South Bay Audubon Society	Audubon YES Award	04/ 201 9
City of La Palma	Community Volunteer Service Award	06/ 201 9
North High School	Outstanding Student In English, Math, and Social Science	06/ 201 9
North High School	Principal's Honor Roll With Distinction	03/ 202 0

Organization	Award / Honor	MM /YY YY
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The College Board	AP Scholar With Distinction	07/ 201 9
City of La Palma	Certificate of Recognition of Commitment to the Environment	06/ 201 9
Los Angeles Peace Committee	Certificate of Peace	04/ 201 7
National Merit Scholarship Corporation	National Merit Letter of Commendation	09/ 201 9

#### D) List and Briefly Describe Any Work **Experience:**

Organization	Position Held	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
Torrance City Hall	Intern at Community Development Department	06/2019 to 07/2019
West End Racquet and Health Club	Lifeguard	07/2018 to 09/2018

#### **Brief Description of Your Work Responsibilities:**

As a lifequard, I worked with other lifequards and staff members to resolve issues, including small injuries, disputes among patrons, and problems that came about as a result of the physical restraints of older patrons. I also enforced the pool and company rules and resolved patron complaints. There were no major injuries under my watch. As an intern at the Community Development Department of the Torrance City Hall, I learned firsthand about the duties of a city's urban and community development department. While working with people that are responsible for managing all Torrance planning and building activities, including those regarding environmental issues/developments, building permits, engineering records, housing programs, GIS, community complaints, and mapping and survey information, I did my part in digitalizing building permits and overseeing 3 overgrown vegetation complaints, 1 noise pollution case, 1 signage violation, and 1 construction project.

To the best of my knowledge, the contents of my application are accurate and I am authorized to work in the United States.†

Agree

#### 2020 SCAG Scholarship Program Essay

A blanket of ash hung over our middle school as my friends and I trotted out to lunch. The fire that had ripped through a gasoline processing unit at the ExxonMobil refinery down the street was still blazing, spewing flames large enough for us to see from the classrooms. We had heard whispers of hydrofluoric acid being in the vicinity of the explosion and how the debris floating in the air could damage developing lungs, but nobody, especially not the industries that caused this, seemed to care.

This kind of apathy was and still is very apparent among the people of my community. Everyone just accepts the oil refinery that takes up a large chunk of the city, already used to the industrialization of the area and the gradual takeover of parks by empty storage buildings and parking lots. And only a few protested the outdated safety measures that led to the environment-threatening explosion at ExxonMobil. I was experiencing the sad reality of a jaded community too apathetic to fight back against environmental injustices in my own hometown.

Since I started high school, there was no doubt in my mind that whatever I did in my professional career, my purpose would be to serve others. I managed to convince myself fairly early that I would not be happy with simply living an enjoyable life with a decent job, good vacation days, and maybe even a family. Although these things obviously sounded nice, unless I made a substantial positive impact on the people around me, I knew that upon the end of my life, I would not be satisfied with whatever else I had accomplished. It's ambitious, I know, but I became and still am infatuated with the idea of living on through my humanitarianism and service to fellow members of the community. The way I see it, this is both the easiest and the only way to leave an impact and change even just my tiny corner of the world for the better with what short time I have here.

The passions and appreciation for the environment and the natural world that I had built up through years of environmental service in the and this intense, intrinsic duty to help others both seemed to meet and come to a head with those explosions at ExxonMobil. Without realizing it through my appallment, when I witnessed those fires, I had discovered the professional field that would allow me the perfect opportunity to fight for and further a cause that I agreed with and cared about on multiple profound levels. Through public service with a focus on the environmental sector, I could ensure that the millions of civilians across America that are negatively impacted by the irresponsible handling of public health and industry wouldn't have to go through the types of things that I once saw my very own hometown affected by anymore. Whether it was through civil and environmental engineering or urban and environmental planning, I had found a dream career in marrying my interests in the environment and my obligation to help others.

So I set out on this road that was seemingly and impossibly paved out just for me, and the more I explored, the more I fell in love with the field. I became heavily involved in a local, completely natural and "wild" marsh that was smack dab in the middle of an urbanized city—a city with its own airport, a 750-acre petroleum refinery, and the sixth largest shopping mall in the United States. I was immediately drawn to this incredibly rare setup and was intrigued by the no-doubt extremely intensive urban planning that is required to maintain and protect a piece of land that seemed to have just been taken from the California coastal prairies and dropped into my city. I worked my way up the ranks at the marsh, and now survey the land and plan and lead restoration projects for community volunteers at one of the most unique vernal marshes in the country, helping to manage and operate its 45 acres of soil, vegetation, and wildlife. By recognizing and targeting specific locations in the marsh in which to restore and maintain biodiversity, I've had the chance to get my first taste of mapping out and "planning" some land.

I've also had the opportunity to intern at the Community Development Department of the Torrance City Hall, shadowing workers and gaining full-time work experience in how city building and planning activities are initiated and run. While on the job, I was able to go out on the field and observe how planners dealt with new and developing construction projects on empty lots and property, and saw firsthand the intensive large-scale urban planning and engineering that goes into what we as civilians take for granted on a daily basis. I also witnessed and learned about how community development deals with complaints from residents due to certain projects in residential areas. In this particular case, a restaurant was being repurposed into a daycare center near a row of houses, and planners had to negotiate with the people living in the area, the construction workers, and the business owners to solve noise pollution concerns that came up due to the noisy children that would inevitably be placed in the daycare for most of the waking hours of the day. Many ideas were proposed, such as the erection of artificial noise barriers between the daycare and the houses, or even the planting of vegetation that would act as a noise buffer between the two, but the whole negotiations process gave me a new appreciation for all of the small factors that urban planners must deal with.

In the future, I hope to take my already acquired knowledge and bolster it through higher education in urban planning and environmental and civil engineering. Further experience in these fields will only multiply my interests in them. With my concerns for the environment, I dream of developing urban areas that both protect public health and improve living conditions through special attention to sustainability. I'm not afraid of instituting change where I see fit, and I plan to do the essential work of moving towards a world that can accommodate our exponentially growing population without sacrificing our wellbeing. Whether this means implementing and developing the vertical farming techniques found in cities like New York City to provide more sustainable food in densely populated areas or traveling to Abu Dhabi to take ideas from and provide solutions to a city with one of the largest carbon footprints per capita in the world, I will do whatever it takes to serve current and future populations through what I believe is one of the most pressing and attention-demanding fields today.

I am fully committed to living a life in public service, and am grateful for the opportunity to make a difference. Hopefully, through my actions and the help of others, we can start working toward a world of sustainable and environmentally safe urban living, one community at a time.



# TORRANCE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NORTH HIGH SCHOOL

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To the selection committee,

is the perfect student. Not because is one of the most intelligent and hard-working students that I have had in my twenty years of teaching, which is, but because is willing to try new things, get enthusiasm hands dirty, and have fun while learning. The first thing that I noticed about was ability to make friends in my class. When works in groups has the ability to keep everyone focused on the task at hand. I enjoy watching tackle a challenging problems with determination and a positive attitude. As the year progressed, week by week, I realized that was far from a one dimensional book-smart honors student. is a gifted teacher. has the rare ability to take the most challenging honors chemistry problems and explain them clearly to peers. I appreciate patience and willingness to actually teach concepts to classmates. Students recognize ability and they flock to has a deep understanding of the subject matter. I has "the right answer" but because not because was lucky to have enroll in my AP Environmental Science class during senior year. I knew that had strong math skills from success in chemistry and I found out about writing skills in AP has the ability to explain difficult concepts, argue with scientific evidence, and Environmental Science. provide examples to support answer.

is also a master composter. demonstrated "Go for it" attitude during an ongoing compost activity in which students mix leaves, grass, and fruit and vegetable scraps. When the compost cools down students have to mix the contents in order to aerate and provide the decomposing bacteria with food. Before I could provide the class with tongs to mix the compost, was up to elbows in rotting fruit and vegetables! Without worrying about the slimy feeling, the fruit flies or the slightly unpleasant odor had gotten down to business and completed the task. This is how lives life and this is why has my highest recommendation.

Another trait that will help succeed in life is competitiveness. Whether it is in the swimming pool where is our school's top or in the classroom, competes. During our first review game in environmental science group was average. It was clear they weren't as prepared as other groups. In the following three review games I saw a difference and the driving force was motivated and led group during the game preparation time by asking questions, giving mini lectures, and keeping the group focused. They have dominated these high energy games thanks to

No matter the occasion, is up to the challenge. always gives 100 percent without holding back. ability to get involved and lead without dominating the situation coupled with intelligence and hard work make the type of student that will make your investment pay off. will make university and community a better place. I highly recommend for a scholarship. Please contact me if you have further questions: estabrook.jay@tusd.org

Sincerely,

Jay Estabrook North High School



# TORRANCE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NORTH HIGH SCHOOL

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March 25, 2020

To Whom This May Concern,

It is my pleasur	e to recommend	for the SCAG Scholarship program.	is an
exceptional	in intellect as well as ir	ntegrity.	

I have known as a student in my Advanced Placement United States History class. is a star in the classroom, the student every teacher wishes for. was one of the highest achievers in AP class, earning the highest score of a 5 on the course exam. has the will to succeed which can be seen in the work ethic brings to the classroom. is determined to reach highest potential which is why I am recommending for this scholarship opportunity.

is skilled in writing, speaking in front of an audience, as well as teaching others vital information. Among the team of students sat with was the most prepared, on a daily basis. was also the most humble student in the classroom, not boasting when received the best score on the test or knew all of the answers. The integrity of this is impressive. does not bring attention to but allows others the spotlight. cares about others, which is evident when lights up as others tell stories. is a great listener and observer before chooses to speak. This skill really sets apart from most of peers who are not as mature has

One of the attributes I like the most about is passion for service to others and the earth. has leadership positions in the National Honor Society, Math Club, International Environmental Service Club, and . All of these areas focus on others and giving through skills and knowledge. has a heart to make a difference and has the skills and intelligence to change the future in science. drive to become an Environmental Engineer fits well. has the skills to work alongside others towards accomplishing goals as well as the work ethic to finish what starts.

Another attribute I like about is tenacity to succeed. I saw this drive in the classroom as competed with to be the highest scorer among peers. I also saw this occur in swim competitions. would constantly push to improve lap times, all the while staying humble when name was announced over the intercom at school as lead the team to the CIF competitions. is internally driven to succeed.

is a joy to be around each day. has a great sense of humor and does not let the responsibilities of being a student weigh him down. is mature beyond age, surrounds with high achieving peers that support and inspire is a great decision maker with a very bright future ahead of Once again I highly recommend for the SCAG Scholarship program.

Sincerely, Cheree Whorley North High School Social Studies Teacher Whorley.cheree@tusd.org

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AP PSYCHOLOGY

AP English Lit & Comp

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AP GOV AND POLITICS - US

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## Torrance Unified School District Official Transcript

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Student Activities

#### **Work in Progress**

Course Info.

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# 2020 SCAG Scholarship Program - LA-208

# **Personal Information**

**Full Name** 

All items marked with \* are required.

**Address** 

**United States** 

County Los Angeles

**Phone Number** 

E-mail

Internship Availability July 2020

# **Educational Information**

Current Educational Status
High School Senior

**Date of Graduation** Thursday, June 11, 2020

Name of Educational Institution Paramount High School

**Location of Educational Institution**Paramount, California
United States

Grade Point Average (GPA) Type

Weighted

**Grade Point Average (GPA)** 4.67

Intended College / University UCLA

Intended Major Economics

# **Activities & Interests**

A) List and Briefly Describe Your Extracurricular Activities (e.g., Memberships in Groups, Sports, etc.):

Organization	Position Held	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
Green Club	Leader	10/2017 to 02/2020
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Organization	Position Held	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
Chicano Club	Leader	10/2017 to 02/2020
Raices Unidas	Member	09/2019 to 02/2020
Class of 2020 Club	Leader	10/2018 to 02/2020
Weight lifting Club	Member	10/2018 to 02/2020
Y3 Club	Leader	10/2019 to 02/2020

#### **Description of Responsibilities:**

Green Club- This is an environmentally focused club in which during our weekly meetings we would organize and research topics, such as recycling, to inform each other on certain issues. In this club I was one of the leaders in which I was held responsible for a group of peers that would accompany me to clean a certain section of the school. I would put waste in the appropriate trash bins and collect the recyclables to ensure they were recycled. In addition, we periodically attend beach cleanings as a group.

Chicano Club- This club has been important as I have immersed myself in my own culture allowing me to learn more about the history of my heritage and the traditions of my culture. I would help organize meetings where we would talk about the various traditions the members would practice and we would research the origins of certain days like the day of the dead in Mexico. This club has enabled me to understand others and respect other's beliefs. For the Chicano Club I would plan fundraisers and help lead the meetings. These fundraisers allowed us to use the money to experience each other's cultures in a variety of ways such as cooking, etc.

Raices Unidas- Our heritage and Latin American roots are the basis of this club as all students are encouraged to join regardless of their home country. This club is meant to set aside any differences and embrace our diversity. The idea of culture acts as a centripetal force and through this club, I am able to learn about other people's traditions and open my eyes to diversity. I have helped set up certain events in terms of fundraising and I talk openly about being a Chicano in our club meetings. "Class of" 2020 Club- The "class of" club is established to make our graduating year as memorable as possible and is purely focused on the seniors. In this club, I work closely with the school's ASB program alongside my other club leaders to create new ideas for school spirit. An example of a project we developed was the "class of" t-shirts that we sold at the beginning of the year. Through this club, I have met many peers and formed new friendships as I am involved throughout the school. Weight lifting club- This club has been important as health has become a big component of my life. Through this club I have learned various techniques to aid me in reaching my health goals. This club allows us to use exercise as a way to create friendships and personally improve our health. Each one of us focuses on our own goals but sometimes I present workouts that I think will be beneficial to others. Along with workouts, I have learned how to avoid injuries and ensure the longevity of working out. My role is to bring new exercise ideas and to help people get their form correct. Y3 Club- A technology-focused club in which I helped find a sponsor and establish the club. I am responsible for bringing new research topics and developmental software to the other member.

#### B) List and Briefly Describe Volunteer Activities in Which You Have Been Involved:

Organization	Activity	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
S.T.A.R. Program	Volunteer/ Mentor	09/2017 to 05/2018
Our Lady of the Rosary	Mentor/ Lecturer	08/2018 to 01/2020

#### **Brief Description of Your Participation:**

Our Lady of the Rosary Parish-Religious faith varies among each person; however, this parish serves as

a place of worship for the people of Paramount and other neighboring cities. More specifically my organization concentrated on people completing their confirmation in the catholic church. This confirmation program allows people of all ages, typically teenagers, to explore their faith. In order to confirm the enrolled students must take classes and take part in a religious retreat. Throughout this program, I was the mentor for a confirmation class and I would lecture alongside the teacher and help talk with the students. This role allowed me to meet new people and truly learn the hardships people go through. Although each person's story was different I learned the power of communication and guidance. I used this program to help me to create a belief system on my own. In addition to mentoring, I would also help set up various events held at the church.

S.T.A.R. Program: The STAR program is an after school program employed and managed by the City of Paramount at all PUSD elementary and middle schools. This service is offered to all parents with children enrolled in a PUSD school site. This program endorses success through academics and recreation in which they offer various amenities such as course tutoring, sports, etc. Many parents are unable to pick up their child on time in which this program allows them to pick them up at a later time. At one of the program's school sites, I served as the mentor for a group of students. I would help students with course work and help them look at different career paths they might be interested in. I understood how a lot of them may not have the best guidance at home in terms of pursuing higher education, so I would try helping as best as possible. Through this, I learned the importance of communication and reinforced that everyone deserves a chance.

C) List Honors or Academic Awards You Have Received (e.g., Scholarly Activities, Research, etc.):

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Organization	Award / Honor	MM/YYYY
Paramount High School	Principal's Award	12/2016, 12/2017, 12/2018, 12/2019
Paramount High School	Certificate of Academic Recognition	04/2019
Paramount High School	Certificate of Congressional Recognition	04/2019
College Board	AP Scholar	07/2019

To the best of my knowledge, the contents of my application are accurate and I am authorized to work in the United States.†

Agree

How I came to know about Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, I do not remember. What I do remember, however, is the feelings of passion I continuously experienced watching her speeches, ranging from speeches regarding her stance on the Green New Deal to that of her personal background. Through her strong, powerful voice, AOC has reached out to many, but for me, primarily, as she has indirectly encouraged me to become an advocate of my own. Her calling out of problematic politicians as well as "elitist" policies has made me realize that many societal issues originate from the government itself.

I admire AOC because of the determination that radiates from the strength in her voice and her inability to let any negativity from interfering with what she has to say. She is a perfect example of not letting your background determine your worth or who you are as a person. I would not consider her situation prior to becoming a congresswoman ideal; still, her charisma and drive for a better life (for herself and others) is something I will always admire because it got her to where she is now.

There are times when I catch myself moping over situations I have no control over that I forget about the ones that I do. As a young adult, I do not have the time to sit around and sulk over the many tragedies that marginalized communities face, and AOC helped me realize that. If I want action done, it has to be done immediately. In October 2019, I attended an advocacy training and grassroots organizing program provided by the ACLU. From that, a few peers and I started a voting rights movement, known as Coalesce Voting, with our primary goal being increasing the voter turnout of minors and having more people overall informed about politics. I hope that in 2020 I get to attend rallies and marches in my area, as well as get my peers more involved in the scheme of politics.

I still have a ways to go, but I hope to become as influential as AOC in the future world of government and politics. The government provides the people of the United States with good opportunities, however there is always room for improvement. Public policy is something that pertains to everyone, impacting every single one of our lives. That is exactly why I have dedicated my time to promoting citizen involvement in the government, more specifically the youth. I wish to influence our young voters as much as possible in order for them to use their voice and guide our government. It is no secret that the youth are not using their voice to the maximum potential. Through my advocacy I wish to inspire as many people as I can whether it may be one person or a hundred. Little by little the ideas diffuse and ultimately become extremely influential.

I wish to pursue a higher education and continue to fight for this voting rights movement. Our democracy prides itself in the freedom of speech and we must utilize our constitutional amendments to facilitate a change in our government. Everyone's voice matters and must encourage our youth to uphold our government to the idea of "by the people for our people".



# PARAMOUNT HIGH SCHOOL

April 10, 2020

To Whom it May Concern:

I highly recommend as a recipient of your foundation. I have had the pleasure of knowing since last year, as was a student in my AP English Language and Composition class at Paramount High School (PHS).

an ideal candidate for any school. One of has many great qualities that would make greatest qualities is drive and positive attitude. In my classroom, has a positive and enthusiastic attitude about everything does. approaches assignments thoughtfully and thoroughly completes any task given. drive is not just effort— is highly motivated to do also is a skilled writer and thinker and received high marks on all assignments. well, but enthusiasm is often contagious and participation in class discussions often Additionally, leads to more meaningful and insightful discussions. This enthusiasm extends to classmates who often encouraged—showing leadership and concern for others.

In addition, I appreciate thirst for knowledge and enthusiasm for learning. routinely comes to see me for more information about a topic/subject, or to bounce ideas off me, or to get further clarification for an assignment. passion for change is evident and always pushes for has told me countless stories of the greater good. endeavors regarding Coalescence seeks knowledge about Voting. I also love how future career—earning an MBA and becoming an activist for voting rights. go-getter attitude is one that sets him apart. is a model student in my AP class and I wish I had more like

is an intelligent, capable, and personable . is outgoing and a positive influence on those around I feel confident in saying that is capable of handling any situation with thoughtfulness and maturity.

I recommend to you without reservation. If you have any further questions with regard to background or qualifications, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely, Dylana Cavaness

#### To Whom It May Concern

I am writing this letter on behalf of is currently in my AP Literature is a pleasure to have in class and always performs academically at an 4.6 GPA, 4<sup>th</sup> ranking out of 1058 and A exemplary level, as demonstrated by currently earning in my class. After teaching for 20 years I am still impressed with is a bright student, as well as hard working, self-motivated, and responsible. I have met few students with as much intelligence, energy and drive to achieve these attributes has a great combination of natural ability and work ethic to be is continually striving to improve and successful. Despite having an A in my class frequently asked insightful questions for the love of learning, not just to earn a good grade. is an impressive student and contributes often with insights and independent thinking. In the classroom simply will not allow himself to do anything but excel as continually works and learns to improve and gain both knowledge and wisdom.

always works cooperatively with others and displays good teamwork while never accepting anything less than own best effort. is probably the "brightest" student in the class, but has discussions that are honest, patient, respectful and "teaching" with also contributes back to younger members of the community with the S.T.A.R. program, where supervises and tutors children, and as teaches catechism local church. would be an asset to any program because of positive attitude. self-discipline and desire for personal improvement. is highly respected and liked by peers, trusted by faculty, and consistently displays poise, character, determination, responsibility, and works to excel despite the audience or circumstance. I've met few students who are as focused and "on task" all of the time as is also a member of CSF, is helping the environment with the green club, is helping promote cross cultural engagements with the Chicano and Raices Unidas clubs, and the leader of the Y3 cyber club.

does not accept any excuses for but all of academic excellence and community service have also come despite obstacles in life. parents both have only elementary educations from Mexico, mother has ongoing health issues, is a first generation college student second generation immigrant, and comes from a low socio-economic family and neighborhood. Despite intelligence, proven track record of success and willingness to help others finances will be an ongoing struggle for even as academic career continues.

I give my highest possible recommendation for entrance into your institution without reservation. Any experience that receives would not just be an investment in him, but also to the benefit of the community and society that wishes to serve and be a part of.

Sincerely

Dr. Michael Zwart, Ed.D.

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#### Paramount Unified School District Paramount High School



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# 2020 SCAG Scholarship Program - LA-215

## **Personal Information**

**Full Name** 

All items marked with \* are required.

**Address** 

**United States** 

County Los Angeles

**Phone Number** 

E-mail

Internship Availability

July 2020

August 2020

# **Educational Information**

Current Educational Status

High School Senior

Name of Educational Institution

Glen A. Wilson High School

**Location of Educational Institution** 

Hacienda Heights, California

**Grade Point Average (GPA) Type** 

Unweighted

**Grade Point Average (GPA)** 

3.98

**Intended College / University** 

Williams College

**Intended Major** 

Political Science

# **Activities & Interests**

A) List and Briefly Describe Your Extracurricular Activities (e.g., Memberships in Groups, Sports, etc.):

Organization	Position Held	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
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Organization	Position Held	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
Varsity	Captain	08/2016 - 05/2020
	Author	05/2019 - 01/2020
R.O.A.R. (Homeroom)	Leader	08/2018 - 05/2020
Dude, Be Nice Club	Founder and President	08/2017- 05/ 2018
Class Dance ( School Spirit Activity)	Class Dance Leader	03/2016 - 03/2020
Global Orphan Project Club	Treasurer	08/2017 - 05/2018
Varsity	Member	08/2016 - 05/2018
Hispanic Scholarship Fund Youth Leadership Institute	Participa nt	07/2019
Charles B. Runnels Youth Citizenship Seminar	Participa nt	06/2019

#### **Description of Responsibilities:**

Captain,

Responsible for leading practices, and fundraising events. Compete in state and national competitions in lyrical, contemporary, jazz, dance, and hip hop. Organize and supervise the annual CADTD dance competition hosted by my school. Coordinate team sponsorships with local businesses. USA All American and selected as a top of USA Camp. Placed at and won multiple national and regional CADTD and WCE titles. Author,

Researched, wrote, and self-published research text on the most influential reformers of the Progressive Era and how their contributions continue to impact us today. I focused on their ability to transform public thought through policy, such as the Child Labor Act of 1916, and how integral they were to the societal revolution of that Era. I analysed the significance of the political influence they possessed in a time when women tirelessly battled for political, financial, and societal freedoms. ROAR Leader

Act as a leadership counselor to a class of ninth through twelfth graders, where I implement school intervention programs, including cultivating a sense of school culture, academic success, and college readiness. I lead a group of 25 of my peers biweekly, and am a mentor and resource to new students, specifically through leading icebreakers and facilitating class discussions.

Founder and President of Dude, Be Nice Club

Pitched idea for club to ASB and established first Dude Be Nice chapter at my school. Organized events promoting kindness and hosted fundraisers to raise money for anti bullying charities. Recognize underappreciated members of our community, security guards, custodians, and lunch ladies by creating posters in their honor. Coordinated participation in collaborative events with other clubs to extend kindness beyond the community by annually creating Christmas cards for children's hospitals. Class Dance Leader

Lead the spirit activity class dance, which is the major event at our annual Battle of the Classes Rally. Choreograph, instruct, and prepare a group of my peers, inexperienced dancers from various clubs and sports, to perform in front of the school to represent my class and facilitate school spirit. Organize costumes, create music, and coordinate with ASB for the performance. Provide emotional support as I guide the dancers in an unfamiliar activity to bolster group confidence. I am one of only two leaders in my grade selected for the leadership opportunity.

Treasurer, Global Orphan Project Club

Organized candy fundraisers and club food day fundraisers to raise money for orphanages in China. Coordinated club finances, including club dues and purchasing of club apparel. Attended board and general club meetings, as well as worked closely with the cabinet and club adviser to supervise fundraising efforts.

Varsity Team

and performed at all varsity football and basketball games. Performed at rallies and school functions, and was a school spirit ambassador and representative of Wilson. Unfortunately, I was unable to continue this activity because the team was cut by administration due to an inability to find a new coach.

Hispanic Scholarship Fund Youth Leadership Institute

Participant at the Youth Leadership Institute, a four-day, overnight, college empowerment conference for high achieving Latino high school juniors, and I was selected through a competitive application process. Learned skills for college success and resources for financial aid. Facilitated discussion about the current Latino narrative and how I can help alter it. Met and interacted with Hispanic heroes, a group of highly successful Hispanic professionals in their fields.

Charles B. Runnels Youth Citizenship Seminar

Nominated by school counselor to attend the Charles B. Runnels YCS on the basis of character and leadership potential to participate in a five day program for high achieving rising seniors. Created and presented a research project on the death penalty to 250 peers and speakers. Listened to and interacted with 17 renowned speakers, and facilitated discussion about vision, integrity, education, service. Learned about a variety of career paths, such as scientific ambassadors, judges, authors.

#### B) List and Briefly Describe Volunteer Activities in Which You Have Been Involved:

Organization	Activity	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
Habitat for Humanity	Volunteer	05/2019 - 09/2019

#### **Brief Description of Your Participation:**

Built furniture for use in homes for disadvantaged families, tagged and sorted inventory sold in "Restores", to support construction projects. Assisted customers with item selection and was responsible for aiding new volunteers training in customer service. Organized stock displays, and coordinated cleanliness of store. Sorted and assessed donations for placement. I selected this volunteer opportunity because I am passionate about improving access to affordable and safe housing through advocacy for new housing policy, as well as through service.

C) List Honors or Academic Awards You Have Received (e.g., Scholarly Activities, Research, etc.):

Organization	Award / Honor	MM/ YYY Y
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Hispanic Scholarship Fund	Scholar	07/ 201 9
College Board	AP Scholar with Honor	07/ 201 9
57th Assembly District - Ian Calderon	57th Assembly District Writing Contest Scholarship Award	09/ 201 9

To the best of my knowledge, the contents of my application are accurate and I am authorized to work in the United States.†

Agree

### Southern California Association of Governments Scholarship

My knees are pressed against the cold linoleum, the sound of a weak fan whirring in the background as the boxcutter slices through cardboard to reveal wood within. I tighten the last screw and flip it over, feeling the cold faux leather beneath my fingertips, smiling proud at the eccentric futon I've assembled, admiring the transformation from a tightly packed box to furniture, someday used by a family. I've spent my summers with a price gun, tagging inventory, from the tiniest washer to the odd purple light fixture, an Allen wrench snuggly tucked into my back pocket as I haul the husks of cardboard boxes to the towering dumpster. I learned how to evolve, to adapt, to ease into the problem-solving process, that not every issue must be solved with a complex solution. Interactions with customers, their stories, remind me of the smiling eyes of my great grandmother, both dignified, holding themselves above the circumstances they were bequeathed. Volunteering with Habitat for Humanity illustrated the significance of safe housing to remove barriers to career opportunities, educational success and improved health. My experience enhanced the meaning of my life, distorting my world view to embrace varying perspectives, and in return I want to use my studies as a political science major with an interest in public policy to affect legislature, such as creating new avenues for affordable housing to address the homelessness crisis in Los Angeles, and similarly affected urban areas.

I've always felt drawn to words. They bounce, leaking out of my pen, tumbling, leaping, gliding, leaving a page fresh with glimmering black ink. Sometimes they must be coaxed, lured onto the page from the swirling recesses of my mind, a rusty faucet streaming words. Sometimes they soar out onto the page, a cascade of letters and thoughts. Language has the power to heal, to

the power to do all these things. I want to be a champion of words, use them as a bridge between my mind and others. A way to materialize the ideas buried within my mind into policy that can shape our community and aid the disenfranchised. I come from immigrants, a great-grandmother, hair whipped about by the wind while she sat atop a train traveling to the United States from her poverty stricken neighborhood, and a great-grandfather, whose calloused feet traversed hundreds of miles to give me opportunity. My great grandmother's stories of working in the fields as a young girl picking fruit have been forever embedded into my sense of person. Their sacrifices have given me the opportunity to dismantle and rebuild societal systems and ways of thought that act as barriers to minorities even now. I want to use the privileges I've been afforded to dismantle political, economic, and societal obstacles that prevent the betterment of our world as a whole. My experiences have inspired me to pursue a career in government, where I can merge my passion for English and social activism to affect positive change in my local community and beyond.



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Danielle Kenfield, Principal

18 December 2019

#### TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

I am delighted to recommend for university admission. To be perfectly blunt, is perhaps the highest performing student I have taught in fifteen years of being in this profession. I think I may actually took my AP English Language and Composition course as have learned more from from me. than received a grade of 'A' for the entire school year. Further, earned a score of '5' on a junior for which of outstanding integrity and drive. priorities are clear to the AP exam for my class. is a and demonstrates a maturity well beyond age.

talents are quite broad. Other than academic excellence, is a four-year member of our school dance team, currently serving as captain. also belonged to our team in 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grade. has volunteered with Habitat for Humanity and is currently working on authoring first book about reformers of the Progressive Era.

I enthusiastically recommend to any university fortunate enough to receive her application!

Sincerely and Respectfully,

Christopher J. Valentine English Department Glen A. Wilson High School



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Dr. Danielle Kenfield, Principal

To Whom It May Concern,

It is my absolute pleasure to recommend for the SCAG Scholarship Program. the finest student I have had the pleasure to work with over my 16-year career. has continuously challenged taking several AP and Honors courses while at Wilson High School and evidence of success is 4.69 weighted GPA. success is not pure luck, but because of excellent reading, writing, and comprehensive skills.

is the ideal candidate for the SCAG Scholarship Program. possesses every skill necessary to be successful at the next level. is extremely motivated to achieve at the highest level possible and is very goaloriented as well. I have had the blessing of working with as both a student and as my teacher's assistant. is reliable, honest, and always completes tasks in a timely matter.

As we all know a truly well-rounded student will excel not only in the classroom, but in extracurricular activities as well. has been a member of our award winning while attending Wilson High currently serves as the Captain of the and is responsible for choreographing routines serves honorably and is an amazing role model for the younger and running practices. As Captain, members.

In all honesty it is students like whom made me want to go into teaching. is not only one of the finest students I have worked with, but is a great person as well. Please allow the opportunity to achieve dream of receiving the SCAG Scholarship. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me at (626)934-4550.

Sincerely,

Robert Rogan

Teacher, Glen A. Wilson High School

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	Los Angeles

## APPLICATION FORM

EDUCATIONAL INFORMA	VIION:	
Current Education Status (Chec	k One):	
High School Junior	High School Senior Community	College
If community college student, li	st semesters completed*:	
High School: Venice Senior	High School	
City/State: Los Angeles, CA		
Date of Graduation: 05/11/20	20 Grade Point	Average (Unweighed): 3.98
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Brief description of your responsibilities (attach additional page(s) if necessary):

 Arranged away-tournament transportation, managed home tournaments (recorded scores, calculated brackets). Assisted in running practices, distributed information through program, set up practice times.

Class of 2020 Club- Organized the club, wrote club constitution, found a staff sponsor, and created an account with Booster Club. Plan and lead fundraising efforts which have yielded over \$3,300 to fund senior year activities.



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APPLICANT NO LA-221
COUNTY Los Angeles

## APPLICATION FORM

#### ACTIVITIES & INTERESTS (CONTINUED)

B.) List and briefly describe volunteer activities in which you have been involved

Organization Involved	Activity	Date of Involvement:
	Various service projects, local and international	September 2007-June 2020
Rotary Youth Leadership Assembly	Counselor at leadership camp	September 2017- Present

Brief description of how you participated (attach additional page(s) if necessary):

r, Treasurer- Coordinate and delegate for trop

fundraisers. Research and develop activities in leadership development, group travel, and community service. Manage inventory, shipments, record booth and individual sales, and troop accounting for

C.) List honors or academic awards you have received (e.g., scholarly activities, research, etc.):

Award/Honor	Institution/Organization	Date
Award		March 2019
CIF Los Angeles City Section 1st Team Player	CIF LA City-Section	November 2018, 2019
California Legislature Certificate of Recognition	California Legislature	March 14, 2018
		November 2016
Published Op-Ed in The Argonaut	Newspaper in West Los Angeles	March 2019

D.) List and briefly describe any work experience:

Position	Employer	Dates of Employment
Summer Youth Book Clerk	Mar Vista Public Library	July 2018-October 2018
Dog walker/sitter	Wag! Dogwalking	October 2019-Present

Brief description of your work responsibilities (attach additional page(s) if necessary):

Mar Vista Public Library- Book Clerk- Assisted and managed summer youth activities. Processed returns and holds, shelved books, and maintained a neat and orderly space in the library.

Wag! Dogwalking- Walk and care for dogs. Communicate with owners on coordinating appointments and services, including feeding, walking, and medicating.



### A.) Extracurriculars.

#### Descriptions continued:

- Collaborate with professional authors to develop and improve writing skills. Study different writing genres and styles (dialogue, journalism, screenplays, poetry, songwriting, fiction). In the second draft of editing my novel, working one-on-one with an assigned professional writing mentor.

**Interact Club-** High school service club sponsored by local Rotary Club. Plan club events and run meetings. Oversee service projects: sponsored a Peruvian school child, sponsored local family for Christmas, Relay for Life supplied Oaxacan school, Heal the Bay, Red Cross Holiday Mail for Heroes Program, Midnight Mission.

#### B.) Volunteer Activities

#### Descriptions continued:

**Rotary Youth Leadership Assembly-** Facilitate recruitment and funding as a Rotary Club liaison. Conduct leadership building activities for high school students.

## C.) Awards continued

Award/Honor	Institution/Organization	Date
Jackets of Excellence	Venice Senior High School	December 2019
Biliteracy Award, Spanish and Italian	California Scholarship Federation	June 2018, June 2020
Published short story in Anthology	Biennial Publication	June 2019

With environmentally conscious parents, I grew up inundated with messages of the environmental issues plaguing my generation. But like many teenagers, I rolled my eyes when my parents reprimanded me for leaving lights on or throwing recyclables in the trash.

It took enrolling in AP Environmental Science to rethink these liberal views. I was faced with the real effects of our unsustainable actions, finally understanding the logic behind the millions of lectures I'd endured in childhood. I realized these problems are faced world-wide and as such, the solutions must come from the global community. The only way to make the changes necessary to ensure our futures is through governments confronting these problems and taking unified action.

Not only am I interested in the policy side of this field, but the interdisciplinary nature of the subject fascinates me. Everything we studied had a practical application to everyday life, from where our waste goes to how the organic food I eat is grown. Compounded with the timeliness of this issue as we near the point of no-return in permanently altering our climate, I find this study not only engaging, but necessary. I see humans' effects on the environment in the drought plaguing my home and the exponential increase in drastic weather events globally. I made up my mind to do something about it. I marched in Greta Thunberg's Global Climate Strike and gave up beef, fish and pork (environmentally unfriendly foods) to make my diet more sustainable.

California is one of the leaders in sustainable development, Los Angeles in particular. However we still have our own issues; a large amount of our wealth and business in oil drilling all over our city. There is always more work to do and I want to find solutions to problems like these. I believe an international perspective is the best way to achieve this. Countries all over the world are battling the same problems and we can learn from each other; through collaboration we can find global solutions to the problems we all face. This is why I plan to attend the Dual BA Program Between Columbia University and Sciences Po, a top French political science university, where I will earn two degrees, one in Political Humanities and one in Sustainable Development,

studying two years in Reims, France and two years in New York City. Through the international lense of the Dual BA program and the broad humanities and social science curriculum, I'll gain a diverse perspective, the exact understanding and approach that it will take to fight the Climate Crisis and ensure our futures. When we unite, each individual's sustainable action is multiplied to create real change.

Studying sustainable development and political science will allow me to pursue my passion and follow a career where I'll be able to continue to make positive changes in the lives of others. After university, I plan to return to California to work in the public sector, bringing different ideas and solutions from all over the world. Working in public service, I'll dedicate my career to finding realistic, attainable ways to make change, and amplify them through policy and the resources of the government.

To The Southern California Association of Governments Scholarship Committee:

It is a great pleasure to write this letter of recommendation for , as is the most driven and dedicated of students that I have had the pleasure to work with in the last 12 years of my career. Without a doubt, has impressed me in all aspects of academic, athletic and social contributions at our school. With desire to pursue Environmental Studies at SciencesPo/ Columbia, I am sure that the practical experience that will come from your internship will be of great value to

In the classroom, began with no knowledge of Spanish, but has pushed herself to excel, often challenging herself to produce more than required. confidence has not wavered, even when I offer corrections or suggestions for improvement. In AP Spanish, is producing beyond some of the native speakers, both in contributions to discussion as well as in expository essays.

Beyond the academic, has also challenged to discover own interests, and takes advantage of as many opportunities as possible. On campus, has involved in many student groups, including with Interact, which promotes prosocial behavior between students, and MESA, which dives into scientific inquiry and experimentation. As I sponsor the Class of 2020 Leadership Club, I have worked extensively with as President of that group for four years, and consistently amazes me with organization, creative thought, and energy that keeps the group motivated and active.

I see as a great human. work with had many conventional moments, like , but also gave awareness of promoting literacy, and as part of a service project, collected a library of books and materials, and spent a week in South Africa, assisting an ESL program. However, desire to support education for all was not just a commitment in South Africa, but here in

our city as well. As the Los Angeles Unified School District faced a strike, many students were confused by the event, and over 90% stayed off campus. Not

was on campus every day holding signs up, creating and handing out flyers, and advocating for the needs of students and the support of teachers in writing Op-Eds.

demonstrated passion with a keen awareness that needed to be there to make a difference in forming public opinion. gathered other students and organized transportation for them to the marches that took place in Downtown Los Angeles to support the strike.

Only a few months later, found herself doing the same, this time, rallying for the environment, echoing the words of Greta Thunberg and #FridaysForFuture. As part of our Global Studies program, has been a strong student leader lobbying for environmental awareness and sustainable practices. I expect that will continue using mind and voice to make an impact in this area of much needed reform, and that the internship with government and planning will do well. I do not doubt that actions will influence our community in many positive ways.

Sincerely,
Cristobal Vicente-Aguilar
Spanish Teacher, Venice High

Laurie Bryant Daghigh 11912 Charnock Road Los Angeles, CA 90066

May 7, 2020

Dear Southern California Association of Governments Scholarship Committee,

It is my pleasure and honor to recommend for the Southern California Association of Governments Scholarship. I have been delighted to serve as for the past twelve years, and I firmly believe that it would take you longer than that to find a student more deserving of this award than Although an accomplished student and athlete, also shines in areas of citizenship and service to others. These areas, and others related to the values of , are where I have had the opportunity to observe and work most closely with

Though always an active and enthusiastic participant, over the past several years has really become the "Peer Leader" of our troop. has always been the one that the other really counted on to get things done, often volunteering to organize lessons and activities needed for the or to has the ability to draw the others into a plan or activity, inspiring them to bring their own best ideas to the table. has been the one who encourages the other to choose an area of responsibility in our project planning, the one who organizes a on their phones, and has been their self-appointed reminder and as an Ambassador. Always interested in a new challenge, this year asked if could be the for our . In over twenty years involved in I have never heard of a taking on that role (but, as I have noted, is not your typical ). I agreed to assuming that responsibility with my supervision. stepped up most professionally, quickly mastering the skills of ordering and inventory, scheduling booths and making sure the were signing up for them, overseeing the money due and getting it collected, and completing the end-of-sale financial statements. This is the very definition of "above and beyond," and pulled it off beautifully (with my undying gratitude).

was the only member of our who decided to really do the planning and carry out an ambitious (and successful) service activity to earn . I believe that experience of making a change in the world through that project gave the confidence and courage to pursue , an effort that took all over Los Angeles and as far as South Africa in an effort to provide options to children a world away whose futures are limited by poverty and social restriction. Through a family friend in South Africa learned that knowledge of English is one of the key skills that will allow students there to take advantage of educational opportunities, and to be able to compete when it comes to higher education, jobs and careers. Interestingly, thirty-five indigenous languages are spoken in South Africa, and ten

of those are considered the "official" languages of the country. It is fluency in the non-native eleventh official language, English, however (spoken as a first language by less than ten percent of the population, virtually all white), that will allow children in the townships the chance to rise above their impoverished beginnings. Was stunned to learn that English is rarely taught in schools in the underdeveloped, racially segregated areas in which the majority of non-white urban children live, and that realization sparked a desire to make a difference. For project, created an English-learning preschool curriculum for students in a kindergarten in one of Port Elizabeth's townships.

almost immediately ran into unexpected obstacles when attempting to put initial plans into action. It became apparent that many adults were unused to working directly with a high school student rather than with a teacher or mentor; often found it difficult to be heard when reaching out to organizations, and struggled to establish legitimacy. For example, after partnering with a local restaurant (Pitfire) for a fundraiser, they simply stopped communicating attempted to follow up on the results. Though it was clear that they would have preferred to deal directly with or another adult. continued to follow up emailing and calling the management and going in to talk to the restaurant manager in person. Though it required three months of persistence, was finally able to claim the proceeds from successful fundraiser and apply them toward

First. designed English alphabet booklets for the children, then visited a variety of in our area to have the help decorate the books and make them colorful. As they worked. explained the ways in which their assistance would make a difference for young children growing up in another country. laminated the books so that they could be written in and wiped clean to use again. collected donations of school supplies and then spent Thanksgiving week of Junior year in Port Elizabeth, South Africa, volunteering at that kindergarten. shared materials with the children and teachers, and taught them words and letters and songs and games. even designed and helped the children paint a mural to brighten their school yard.

To measure the impact of project, administered a proficiency test to the children prior to introducing English program. Shown simple pictures of animals and common objects named in English, the children recognized close to half of the images, scoring an average comprehension rate of 44.3%. After week at the preschool the teachers continued to work with their students using the materials that had provided. Three months later the children were again presented with the images in English. This time the group's average score was 62%, demonstrating a 17.7% increase in their recognition/comprehension of the original concepts. Both and the teachers were pleased with the children's progress, and consider intervention a success. The 75 two- to six-year olds in the targeted classrooms now have a permanent collection of supplies for learning English as a second language (ESL) that will make a lasting impact on their education.

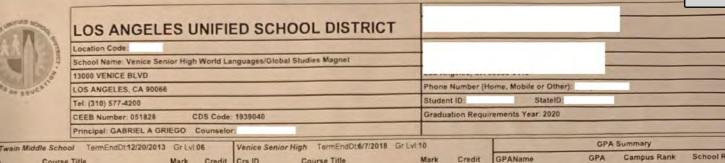
The project's impact on raising awareness back at home was also impressive. Approximately 240 local high school students and 56 in our Mar Vista/Los Angeles community (296 total) had the opportunity to learn about and discuss the racial and educational problems in South Africa. While working on curricular materials they talked about the effects of global patterns of intolerance and discussed ways that each, as individuals, can do their part to be part of a global solution.

is an extremely capable of strong character who fully embodies all the traits one might look for in a scholarship candidate. I have been deeply impressed by initiative, drive, creativity and tenacity; when decides going to do something, does it. If circumstances make a plan no longer feasible, thinks creatively, pivots gracefully, and heads full steam around the obstacle. is a truly exceptional whose intelligence, enthusiasm, judgement and drive will be an asset to any University. has always demonstrated the strength and will to stand up to challenges and follow dreams, and it would be tragic indeed were unable to pursue academic goals as a result of a difficult financial situation.

I have absolutely no reservations about recommending for the Southern California Association of Governments Scholarship. I have no doubt will uphold the standards of the Scholarship Committee and become a shining recipient of your award. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions regarding character, past or community involvement, or any other qualifications related to the scholarship.

Sincerely,

Laurie Bryant Daghigh



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Attachment: Los Angeles County Applications: 201, 202, 204, 208, 215, 221, 222, 224, 230 (2020 SCAG Scholarship Program)

# 2020 SCAG Scholarship Program - LA-222

## **Personal Information**

**Full Name** 

All items marked with \* are required.

**Address** 

**United States** 

August 2020

County Los Angeles

**Phone Number** 

E-mail

Internship Availability July 2020

## **Educational Information**

Current Educational Status High School Senior

**Date of Graduation** Thursday, June 4, 2020

Name of Educational Institution John A. Rowland High School

**Location of Educational Institution**Rowland Heights, CA
United States

Grade Point Average (GPA) Type

Unweighted

Grade Point Average (GPA) 4.0

Intended College / University Williams College

Intended Major Political Science

## **Activities & Interests**

A) List and Briefly Describe Your Extracurricular Activities (e.g., Memberships in Groups, Sports, etc.):

Organization	Position Held	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
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Organization	Position Held	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
Rowland Speech & Debate	President	08/2017- 06/2020
Rowland Programming Club	President	08/2017- 06/2020
Rowland Interact Club	Treasurer	08/2017- 06/2020
California High School Democrats	State Finance Director	08/2017- 06/2020
Rowland	Varsity	08/2016- 06/2020

## **Description of Responsibilities:**

As President of Speech & Debate, I tripled competition rates, organized competition teams and practices, launched discussion workshops, coordinated club fundraisers, and developed training materials.

In Programming Club, I arranged hands-on technology workshops, pioneered an annual school-wide competition, implemented a tutoring program, and coordinated fundraisers and events.

For Interact, I handled . nancial paperwork for the largest club on campus, routinely overseeing hundreds of dollars in transactions.

I took the California High School Democrats from an empty account to out-raising our national organization in the same time period, while following federal campaign finance laws, creating our state website using HTML, and working with campaigns and national leaders across the nation.

On the team, I mentored new and lead groups in setting up for over a thousands from California and neighboring states.

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## B) List and Briefly Describe Volunteer Activities in Which You Have Been Involved:

Organization	Activity	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
Formosa Association of Student Cultural Ambassadors	Cultural Events	06/2017- 06/2020
Rowland Interact Club	Communit y Events	08/2017- 06/2020
Rowland Do Something Club	Communit y Events	08/2018- 06/2020
Rowland Key Club	Communit y Events	06/2019- 06/2020
Gil Cisneros for Congress	Volunteer	06/2018- 08/2018
National Honor Society	Communit y Events	06/2018- 06/2020

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Organization	Activity	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY	
California Scholarship Federation	Communit y Events	01/2017- 06/2020	

## **Brief Description of Your Participation:**

In the Formosa Association of Student Cultural Ambassadors, I help to spread Taiwanese culture by volunteering at community events, performing traditional cultural ceremonies, training new members, and receiving government officials such as the President of Taiwan. I've performed a traditional puppet show for the Taiwanese President and assisted at an international summit of young Taiwanese business leaders from English-speaking nations.

In the service clubs at my school, I have played an active role in my community, helping at events like Light the Night to raise money for cancer research, feeding the homeless in Skid Row, and tutoring individuals at my own school.

C) List Honors or Academic Awards You Have Received (e.g., Scholarly Activities, Research, etc.):

Organization	Award / Honor	MM/ YYY Y
Coolidge Presidential Foundation	Coolidge Senator	04/ 201 9
Corporation for National and Community Service	President's Volunteer Service Award: Bronze	08/ 201 8
Corporation for National and Community Service	President's Volunteer Service Award: Silver	08/ 201 9
Valle Vista League	Academic All League	05/ 201 9
National Merit Scholarship Corporation	National Merit Scholarship Recipient	03/ 202 0
Jack Kent Cooke Foundation	Cooke College Scholar Semifinalist	01/ 202 0
College Board	National AP Scholar	08/ 201 9

# D) List and Briefly Describe Any Work Experience:

Organization	Positio n Held	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
Rowland Adult & Community Education Recreation Department	Lifeg uard	06/2018- 08/2018
Gil Cisneros for Congress	Field Intern	02/2020- Present

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Organization	Positio n Held	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY	
Fiveable	Intern	06/2019- 08/2019	

## **Brief Description of Your Work Responsibilities:**

As a lifeguard, I assisted pool managers with customer relations, enforced pool regulations, safeguarded patrons, and worked my way up to coaching swimmers of varying ages.

As a field intern for Congressman Gil Cisneros' re-election campaign, I routinely phonebank to help voters access federal coronavirus resources as well as encourage them to turn in their vote by mail ballots. I also help to host events to boost the congressman's visibility. This internship builds on the volunteer work that I did in 2018 to help him flip our district, when I wrote dozens of postcards, made hundreds of calls, and knocked on hundreds of doors.

At Fiveable, I brainstormed which AP Computer Science A topics students might struggle with the most, writing articles to make them more understandable.

To the best of my knowledge, the contents of my application are accurate and I am authorized to work in the United States.†

Agree

# Describe your interest in urban planning, public policy, and/or public service and future career goals.

The razor cut into my fingers, always coming close to breaking through my skin, but never going all the way, always leaving just an indentation and a trace of pain to indicate its presence. Standing on my toes, I kept moving the razor up and down over the glass surface, scraping off the decals, erasing the words that marked the office that had been my parents' travel agency for 28 years. My mother stood next to me, offering a wet towel to soften up the decals in the next section. It was a dark Friday night, one of our last days in this office, the office I had grown up in. Standing at the entrance of the office while I removed the words "Ocean Air Travel," I could see the couch that I had slept on as a toddler. I could see the table where I had once played video games with friends. I could see the table that my parents and I used to gather around, eating lunch or dinner or whatever snack we were having. I could remember the countless nights I had spent in this office, finishing up my homework at 2 AM, unable to return home because this office was the only place we had internet access. I could remember the countless summer afternoons I had spent alone in this office so that I could self-study for the SAT using Khan Academy. For sixteen years of my life, this office had been a second-home, a sanctuary from the rest of the world. And now it was gone, now I was the one helping take it apart because the rent had grown too high while my parents' income decreased year after year.

Looking back, I can see that while my parents and I lost a vital part of our lives the day we flipped the office lights off for the last time, we were lucky. We were able to move my parents' travel agency to our home. We were able to pay for internet access at home. And with the reduced expenses from working at home, my parents were able to continue running their business, albeit on a smaller scale. There are so many individuals across this nation who don't have the privilege that I did. This all happens silently, in a vacuum of shame and silence that our society forces upon the most vulnerable. After all, in a country where the lie of the American Dream is spread so easily by the same people who hoard all of the wealth for themselves, poverty seems like a moral failing, not the result of uncontrollable circumstances.

No family should have to feel ashamed that things didn't go their way, that they hit a financial roadblock. No family should be forced to overcome these obstacles by themselves. Although we live in a nation that perpetuates a culture of shame around poverty, we also live in a nation with a history of caring for those who have fallen on hard times. Although we live in a nation with 21st century robber barons who profit off of the exploitation of everyday Americans, we also live in a nation that launched the New Deal and pushed for the Great Society. We live in a nation that declared a War on Poverty, that refused to allow people to suffer in the midst of such wealth. I believe that we can return to that mentality. I believe that the government is the single entity in our nation with the most power to radically benefit the lives of the people.

This is why I want to pursue a career in law, to get involved in the legislative and judicial branches of our government. I plan to study Political Science at Williams College to prepare myself for law school and a legal career. In college, I want to gain a better understanding of the

complex elements that interact together to shape our nation's laws — from grassroots activists to politicians to lobbyists. Ultimately, I want to work for the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice or as an attorney for an independent organization committed to civil rights. I want to use the government as a shield to help those who have been left behind, to bring the government back to what it should be: an instrument for the people, not a tool for wealthy individuals and corporations. This is why I dedicate what little free time I have to support the campaigns of politicians who share my belief in the incredible potential of the government. This is why I continue even when people tell me that my dreams are naive and that I should give up. I know that my dream is a righteous one — which is why I know I have no choice but to persist.

#### Scholarship Letter

On behalf of I am proud to write this letter of recommendation to be considered a recipient of a scholarship from your organization. I teach AP and IB history classes and I am also the IB coordinator at Rowland High School. I have been teaching for over 30 years and in that time stands out as one of my best and favorite students for contemplative nature, awareness of the world around and a willingness to engage in that world to improve it. I have known for almost two years as was a student in my APUSH class last year, is currently a student in my IB History class and is an IB Diploma candidate. In our time together has proven to be an outstanding student and engaged citizen.

One key criteria I use when writing letters is does the student make me a better teacher. does! I know I have to be prepared because will have questions beyond the textbook. shows a curiosity for learning and wanting to learn more. When participates or when we talk is contemplative regarding doesn't respond quickly but processes thoughts more fully so answers generally have a depth of knowledge and analysis well beyond the typical student. In shows a depth writing of understanding of the topic making insightful comments and supportive arguments. works well in groups, playing part and giving others the space to do their parts. is encouraging, helpful, and willing to listen to those around during discussion share time. Again, this is not always typical of the best students in my classes who tend to want to dominate discussions and limit others.

In my position as IB coordinator I get to learn more about my IB students outside of the classroom because of the CAS requirements. is actively involved in community issues related to voting rights, equality, and government. has attended marches, phones, and knocked on doors to encourage involved himself in the 2018 congressional election volunteering for a congressman support. running for office. wanted to get hands dirty so to speak to learn more than could from the internet or newspaper. We talked about some of the key issues and impressed me with of non-front page political issues. was invested in the outcome because believed in the candidate supported and on November 8 candidate was behind when the polls closed. was down because failure was not something was used to – even for things beyond control. But three days later after all the votes were officially counted his candidate was declared the winner. had a wide smile and shared with me and the class the goals of candidate. next goal is be involved in the presidential campaign of 2020.

success is no coincidence. Most students and teachers think that is just naturally talented and school comes easily to is but also works hard. On a daily basis, I witness work ethic and intellectual and personal growth. refuses to settle for mediocrity. is willing to challenge possesses all the intellectual and personal characteristics for future success and more importantly an understanding of the necessity to further utilize these talents. I will remember a talented student that knew would get an A in the class but still wanted to improve reading, writing, speaking, and thinking. I cannot say enough good things about I am honored to offer my highest recommendation for be awarded a scholarship from your organization.

Sincerely,

Stephen P. Ludlam Teacher/IB Coordinator Rowland High School sludlam@rowlandschools.org







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Mitch Brunyer, Principal

Home of the Raiders

April 18, 2020

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing this reference at the request of who is applying for this scholarship opportunity. I have had the pleasure of knowing through career at Rowland High School as a student in my Honors World History course and as a vibrant member of the Raider community. During this time of our acquaintance, I have had the privilege of watching grow academically and socially.

I have had the pleasure of teaching as a freshman and watching grow as a scholar during time here at Rowland High where through consistent effort earns superior grades. is consistent in work effort and continues to improve both critical reasoning skills and writing skills through diligent effort. has accepted the challenge of the academically rigorous International Baccalaureate program at Rowland High School. In this program is called to take on heavy loads of reading and writing, including several research papers. I have had the opportunity to read work through the years and has a strong voice and a keen sense of analysis. Where other consistently digs for a deeper understanding and intertextual connections. students may only cover the surface, is the go-to student in class for peers, assisting with any task from organization to leading discussions. Based on grades, attendance and class participation, I'd rate academic performance and persistence in his classes as superior.

In addition to an excellent academic work ethic, I have had the privilege to watch grow into an amicable leader and fierce competitor. In history and English classes, where passions can sometimes rule in spirited discussions, demonstrates a decorous strength that maintains the high ground and holds others accountable for their speech. Upon entering high school, was quite reserved, but as early as freshman year, grew in confidence and discovered voice. It is a voice that is thoughtful and bends towards justice and kindness. Putting civic learning into action. regularly volunteers in organizations where has the opportunity to use learnings and take passions and put them into action. has volunteered on political campaigns, understanding that democracy only works when we all do. No task is too small or too big, as understands that we are all called to practice our civic duties, regardless of age. Rather than just attend, jumps in with both feet, never letting introverted nature stand in way.

During our acquaintance I've watched quietly serve as an example of an intelligent, capable, dedicated, and personable is always thoughtful and reliable, with sensible reactions in all the circumstances I've seen in. I feel confident in saying that is capable of handling any situation with thoughtfulness and maturity. In conclusion, I would highly recommend for this scholarship. If performance at Rowland is any indication of how will succeed, will be a positive addition to any academic program and this scholarship will deservedly aid in these endeavors. If you should need any additional information you can feel free to contact me at 909-908-5239 or by email at Lsmith@rowlandschools.org anytime.

Sincerely,

Leslie Smith

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# 2020 SCAG Scholarship Program - LA-224

## **Personal Information**

**Full Name** 

All items marked with \* are required.

**Address** 

County Los Angeles

**Phone Number** 

E-mail

Internship Availability

July 2020

August 2020

## **Educational Information**

Current Educational Status
High School Senior

**Date of Graduation** Thursday, June 4, 2020

Name of Educational Institution Granada Hills Charter High School

**Location of Educational Institution** Granada Hills, CA

Grade Point Average (GPA) Type

Unweighted

Grade Point Average (GPA) 4.0

Intended College / University Pitzer College

Intended Major Environmental Analysis

## **Activities & Interests**

A) List and Briefly Describe Your Extracurricular Activities (e.g., Memberships in Groups, Sports, etc.):

Organization	Position Held	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
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GHC Speech & Debate Team	Captain '19 '20, Historian '18	08/2016-
Linguistics Academic Research	Research Team Leader	08/2017-
Interdisciplinary Native American & Environmental Studies Research	Research Team Leader	06/2019-
Granada Hills Charter Advancement	Advocate	08/2018- 09/2019
GHC Envirothon (Environmental Science) Team	Researcher	10/2019- 03/2020

## **Description of Responsibilities:**

## Speech & Debate

- -Led coaching for a team of 30 after our head coach was no longer able to have coaching hours.
- -Organized travel logistics and conducted meetings.
- -Led team to local and regional prominence, being named the top Speech program thrice in the Tri----County Forensic League during my time.
- -As a personal competitor, I am a nationally-ranked public speaker and have won numerous national, state-wide, and local awards.
- -I have spoken on topics such as race relations, International policy & law, and antitrust policy. Spend 15 hrs/week working.

#### Linguistics Academic Research

- -Built a Python computer program that uses linguistics to analyze the alt-right and neo-nazi hate speech online (2018-)
- -Working to develop program into software social media sites can use to flag hate speech.
- -Named the top high school social scientist in Los Angeles County for my code & was honored by the UCLA Brain Research Institute (2019, see Honors)
- -Conducted a case study of various foreign language learning techniques among high school students (2017)
- -Managed a research team of 2 co-researchers in both projects.

#### Interdisciplinary Native American & Environmental Studies Research

- -Conducting research in interdisciplinary Native American Studies—using techniques from activist anthropology, biology, and sociology.
- -Tended to an Indigenous foods garden, and used biological data to write an experimental biological-poetry novel about Indigenous people in Latin America.
- -Held participatory action interviews with Latinx advocates in which we discussed Latin American indigeneity using my novel as stimulus material.
- -Was again named the top high school social scientist in Los Angeles County in 2020 for my project.
- -Managed a research team of 2 co-researchers.

#### **GHC Advancement**

- -Met with a team of school administrators to plan and strategize student involvement in political advocacy projects related to GHC's advancement.
- -Spoke at board meetings of the LAUSD School Board and MTA to advocate on behalf of GHC, focusing

on the school's diversity and environmental sustainability, as well as endorsing the expansion of a local BRT corridor.

#### **GHC Envirothon**

- -Assisted Envirothon competition teams at GHC in preparing study materials about forestry, soil science, aquatics, wildlife, and aquifer management.
- -Assisted in data collection and field practices in environmental management and assessment.

## B) List and Briefly Describe Volunteer Activities in Which You Have Been Involved:

Organization	Activity	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
Trash for Treasures	Founder & President	07/2015-
GHC Science Fair	Vice President '20 '19 & Founding Member	08/2017-
GHC Academic Mentor Program	Writing Center Mentor	06/2018-

## **Brief Description of Your Participation:**

Trash for Treasures

- -Created Trash for Treasures, a charitable program dedicated to creating art out of recyclable materials, and using recycling as a way to fund visual art, making it more accessible.
- -Started recycling programs at Holmes Middle School and Granada Hills Charter.
- -Created an equal-access collective of high-quality art supplies, bought using funding from recycling.
- -Devised and led a series of recyclable art workshops, which have been attended by hundreds over the 5 year duration of the program.

#### Science Fair

- -Manage club meetings, teaching groups of 20 underprivileged, majority young women of color about research opportunities and the scientific method.
- -Established and organized a local STEM Expo and Science Fair, bringing together hundreds of students and local STEM professionals and organizations.

#### Academic Mentor Program

- -Served as a mentor in GHC's Writing Center.
- -Developed curricula for and led remedial English workshops for 30 struggling students.
- -Closely mentored 5 ESL students, teaching basic English and literary analysis, as well as helping them adjust to life in a new school and nation.
- C) List Honors or Academic Awards You Have Received (e.g., Scholarly Activities, Research, etc.):

Organization	Award / Honor	MM/YYYY
Los Angeles County Science and Engineering Fair	2-Time 1st Place Project, Senior Social & Behavioral Sciences	03/2019 & 03/2020
UCLA Brain Research Institute	Research Award	03/2019
Granada Hills Charter	Valedictorian	06/2020
Advanced Placement	AP Scholar with Distinction	07/2019
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Organization	Award / Honor	MM/YYYY
Advanced Placement	AP Capstone Diploma Candidate	06/2020
California Science and Engineering Fair	Qualifier	04/2019
National Speech and Debate Association	Top 37 in the US in Expository Speaking (out of approx 300 qualifiers & thousands of regional competitors)	06/2020
National Speech and Debate Association	3-Time National Championships Qualifier (top 2% qualify)	03/2019, 03/2020; 03/2020
California Forensics Invitational at UC Berkeley (2nd largest Speech & Debate tournament in the country)	Final Round Champion, 2nd Place Overall, Expository Speaking	02/2018
California High School Speech Association	5-Time State Championships Qualifier	03/2018; 03/2018; 03/2019; 03/2019; 03/2019
Williams College	Windows on Williams College Scholar	09/2019
Amherst College	Diversity Open House Scholar	10/2019
Posse Foundation	Scholarship Finalist	11/2019
Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation	Semifinalist (top 2% out of 93,000 applicants)	11/2019
Milken Scholars Foundation	Finalist	12/2019
Harvard University National Forensics Invitational (Largest Speech & Debate tournament in the country)	2-Time Octafinalist (Top 60 out of 300+) in Informative Speaking & Undefeated 1st Place "Picket Fence" Award	02/2019; 02/2020

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Organization	Award / Honor	MM/YYYY
Tri-County Forensic League	4-Time League Champion, Various Events	09/2017; 12/2018; 02/2019; 12/2019
Granada Hills Charter Speech & Debate Team	Team Leadership Award '19; Best Varsity Award '18; Best Novice Award '17	06/2019; 06/2018; 06/2017
George Washington University	Alumni Book Award	05/2019
Los Angeles County Science & Engineering Fair	2nd Place, Senior Behavioral & Social Sciences	03/2018
City of Los Angeles	Certificate of Recognition for E12 Program Work	08/2017
Stanford National Speech & Debate Tournament	Finalist, International Extemporaneous Speaking	02/2017

## D) List and Briefly Describe Any Work **Experience:**

Organization	Position Held	MM/ YYYY to MM/ YYYY
Loraine for Los Angeles City Council District 12	Campaign Fellow	11/2 019- 3/20 20
Los Angeles City Councilmember Mitch Englander, District 12	E12 Excellence in Public Service Youth Internship Program Member, Facilitator of Seen & Heard Youth Workshop	5/20 17- 3/20 18
Freelance	Graphic Design/ Creator of "Project Unsettlement" digital zine about Indigenous Environmentalism	08/2 017-

## **Brief Description of Your Work Responsibilities:**

Loraine for LA Fellowship

- -Organized Loraine Lundquist's campaign for Los Angeles City Council (District 12).
- -Led youth and young adult outreach projects.
- -Managed volunteers, canvas projects, phone banking projects, assisted living community outreach, and other community organizing measures.
- -Assisted in administrative tasks and usage of campaign software, as well as Microsoft Office/Excel.
- -One of the only high school fellows for a predominantly collegiate program. Worked 12 hrs/week.

### E12 Excellence in Public Service Internship Program

- -Took part in Los Angeles City Councilmember Mitch Englander's high school civic internship program.
- -Organized, led, and facilitated "Seen and Heard" in March 2018, a retreat designed for high school students from Los Angeles to identify issues in their communities and become advocates.

## Freelance Graphic Design

- -Volunteered services as freelance graphic designer to nonprofit organizations.
- -Created logo designs for environmental startup.
- -Created a digital magazine about Indigenous Environmentalism, Project Unsettlement.
- -Competent in Adobe Photoshop, Illustrator, and Final Cut Pro.

To the best of my knowledge, the contents of my application are accurate and I am authorized to work in the United States.†

Agree

There's a small plot in my backyard. It's home to about a dozen stalks of corn and corn's Indigenous, wild grass ancestor--teosinte. But beyond what's growing out of it, my Indigenous corn garden is home to my passion: equitable and sustainable urban planning.

Drawing on my own Chilean-American heritage, I have always been interested in Indigenous Latin American advocacy. In fact, I started gardening after discovering Sean Sherman, an award-winning Oglala Lakota chef, who argues that growing and cooking Indigenous foods allows people to reconnect with Indigenous cultures. Inspired, I immediately got to work in the garden. On a larger scale, I discovered that gardens interact with larger systems of social inequity.

Latinx people, especially those living in socioeconomically disadvantaged areas, frequently lack access to green spaces. Often, they don't have the space, ability, or time to maintain gardens--let alone specialty gardens growing Indigenous Latin American food. In this system, it's no surprise that my community suffers from epidemic levels of diseases--like diabetes and asthma--that can be tied back to few green spaces and fewer healthy, Indigenous Latin American foods.

To take action on this issue, I wrote an experimental novel comparing the process of corn growth to the history of Indigenous Latin Americans. I then formed a reading group of Latinx teens from across Los Angeles. Here, I held critical discussions about our lack of access to our ancestral gardens and how this leads to poor health outcomes. Many reported feeling inspired by my novel and these discussions--with one starting an Indigenous corn garden of her own. The paper I wrote on this process was named the best social science research by a high schooler in Los Angeles County. More rewarding was the ability to directly inspire people to break the pattern of unequal gardens and lives.

Now, I am interested in breaking this pattern at its source by becoming involved in local politics. This winter, I decided to get involved as a community organizing fellow for Loraine Lundquist, a candidate for LA City Council in my district who prioritized sustainability and justice-oriented environmental management.

Through my immersion in LA's environmental politics, I discovered a new urban planning issue: wetlands degradation. Again feeling fascinated, I learned more about wetlands management through my IB Environmental Systems and Societies class, and I conducted research on wetlands restoration techniques at salt marshes in Huntington Beach under a CSULB professor. I'm currently going through the process of publishing my findings, which can be used to improve land management practices.

Indigenous gardening has exposed me to endless urban planning issues and solutions. Next year, I will study Environmental Analysis--focusing on policy and planning--at Pitzer College, a member of the Claremont Colleges consortium focused on social and environmental justice. I hope to ground my education with the hands-on experience of a SCAG internship. This way, I can learn what building a planning agenda that prioritizes wetlands, gardens, and equal access will entail. Through my education and future work, I'll be sure to remember my *roots*.

To whom it may concern:

I am writing on behalf of regarding the Southern California Association of Governments Scholarship. I would like to offer my recommendation for acceptance into the program, as I believe to be a worthy candidate. I had the pleasure of working as supervisor for the LA City Council District 12 race in support of Dr. Loraine Lundquist, a local sustainability professor. As deputy campaign manager, I was responsible for hiring as a I also oversaw development over the campaign.

From the moment I got into contact with it was clear was an exceptional student and individual. The level of professionalism possessed was far beyond that of even post-graduate peers, and it was never in doubt that could complete tasks in an expedient made a seamless entry into our campaign culture and was and satisfactory manner. quick to figure out where was of most use to us. was willing to do any task asked for from office work to policy research. On multiple occasions when was unable to physically come into the office. offered to do tasks in own free time because understood the importance of the work we were doing. Despite some work being menial or tedious, every task as an opportunity to learn more about electoral politics and working in a team.

Not only that, was a leader and an example for peers. Often we relied upon to train other fellows by teaching them about voter outreach, management of hundreds of volunteers, and policy relevant to environmental solutions. In the final week of the campaign during our most busy period, was a key member of our team responsible for assisting in volunteer management, keeping other fellows on task, and answering any questions the staff was unable to answer because of time constraints. was also instrumental in gaining support from high-school and college-aged peers by doing research and outreach to groups in those communities, like the Environmental club and the water-conservation initiative at school. spoke on the campaign's behalf to peers without having to be prompted to do so.

Among exceptional qualities is also passion for environmental policy and urban planning. Because of the unique environmental issues central to this district (such as Aliso Canyon Gas Blowout in 2015), climate and environmental policy was always at the forefront of the ideological debate. as a true member of the community, was eager to learn about ways to help those around through policy decisions. helped us grow our coalition with environmental activist groups like Food & Water Action and the Sunrise Movement, and learned about the

importance of marrying policy and activism to push for important progress. proved himself to be knowledgeable and ready to learn more about environmental and urban planning.

I believe that has much to offer your program, and I have no reservations about his ability to be a fine addition to your program. I look forward to seeing what truly amazing things does for community in the future. If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Gaby Markley
Deputy Campaign Manager
Loraine Lundquist for City Council 2020
gcmarkley@gmail.com



BRIAN BAUER EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

John Tucker Granada Hills Charter High School 10535 Zelzah Avenue Granada Hills, CA 91344 818-360-2361 Jtucker@Ghchs.com

### To Whom It May Concern:

I write this letter in recommendation of . I know from time as my student in AP Seminar, the year one course in the prestigious (and rigorous) AP Capstone program at Granada Hills Charter High School in Granada Hills, California.

I cannot recommend more highly. is among the four or five most talented and accomplished students I have encountered in more than a decade teaching English.

As I prepared to write this letter, I reviewed a number of research papers and projects that Diego completed in AP Seminar, gifts. Of course, his GPA, ACT and SAT scores, AP course achievements and and honestly, I felt astounded anew at extracurricular activities are all nearly peerless, befitting an exemplary student (and human) of caliber, but in completed in my class, it's clear that considering the work non-quantifiable aspects are just as important as the remarkable body of data which represents academic and community service achievements (so far.) One of the moments I remember with perfect clarity from last year is explaining the history of the outdoor school movement to classmates with such interest, insight, and energy, that they sat rapt. The highest compliment high school students can pay one another is undivided attention, and elicits it effortlessly. When communicates, everyone immediately knows they're witnessing a remarkable person share ideas. Whether is writing a concise, insightful and frankly fascinating research report about the potential benefits (in terms of creating more equity between social classes, interestingly) of interweaving nature and time spent outdoors into the school setting, or conducting sophisticated research on the intersection of colonialism and natural conservation, has the ability, both as a researcher, writer, and presenter, to distill and analyze complex, difficult subjects with clarity, insight, and precision. (How many high school students could say "I want to focus my research and writing in the area of post-colonial ecocriticism," and how many even of that number could generate a genuinely enthusiastic and genuinely interested response from their instructor and peers with that statement? How many high school students are capable of producing research writing that is genuinely fun to read and think about? is truly extraordinary.)

Also, as I reflect on the other parts of academic self that can't be necessarily measured with a test or displayed on a chart, I remember the determined look on face when encountered a challenge. Whether was purposefully and intently honing the language of a research question to make it more precise, or pointing fearsome intellect in the direction of a newly discovered peer-reviewed academic journal article on an esoteric but fascinating subject, seemed to revel in moments of challenge and difficulty, and to attack them with creativity and joy. That attitude, along with remarkable intelligence, truly sets apart as a student and as a person, even in the context of a culture of high-skill, high-motivation peers (which our school certainly has.)

On a personal level, I always appreciated enthusiasm for learning as well as genuine happiness in being When come to class and tell me about a new idea or experience (whether it was the nuances of defining "speciesism," the rhetorical techniques of an article in "The New Yorker," or even a triumph at a science fair or speech competition) I'd feel myself get excited, too. just has that effect on people; they want to be a part of what about.



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It might seem like damning with faint praise to say " happy to be but is one of those students (and people) who is so comfortable in own skin that other people immediately feel comfortable and accepted in which I would suggest is the foundation of considerable leadership skills. When enters a room, smiling, erudite ever-enthused and impressively informed about nearly any academic subject, you can't help but be glad for presence and joy at the world of learning and ideas has on everyone around When I placed in a collaborative group of peers, I automatically knew I didn't need to worry about their collegiality, productivity, or success.

Further, in yet another of the unique aspects of personality, joins love of learning and skill in collaboration with a deep love of justice and a genuine drive to improve the world and help the less fortunate. Usually, it would be the height of cliché to suggest that a student "is going to change the world," but with that's exactly what I predict. My was always that operates on a core assumption that the world should be more just, and that because sense of fortunate enough to have remarkable talents, it's responsibility to work to make it so. current goals, which include studying some combination of Linguistics, Latin American Studies, Education, or Environmental Studies, with an eye towards eventually working in immigration law, education policy, or nonprofit management, reflect a student who is already making wise, reflective choices about how to pair values, passions and skills with the needs of the world.

Finally, I feel that I would be remiss if I did not at some point re-emphasize excellence as a communicator, particularly as a presenter. long list of triumphs as a speech and debate competitor speak for themselves in this area, but is a frankly brilliant speaker and presenter, and I have very intentionally retained video of all presentations from my class so that I can use as a teaching example this year and in years to come. (Here's what inevitably happens when I play a video of presenting in class: A hush falls over the room. Students scramble to take notes and try to figure out how marries performance and content so perfectly. And then the video ends, there's a moment of stunned silence, and finally one person, quietly, whispers "Wow." Then the class breaks into applause and laughter, happy in the shared experience of witnessing something so excellent that a shared, gleeful, inescapable joy bubbles up in simply a fantastic speaker and student, and I honestly feel lucky to have been a small part of every witness.) academic journey and witnessed remarkable gifts in action. I can say without reservation or hesitance that any university or college to which is admitted will be immediately and meaningfully improved by presence, and any organization that aids educational journey is quite honestly making an investment in greatness.

I cannot recommend more highly, and I truly look forward to seeing what creates from tremendous combination of intellect, skill, and passion.

Sincerely,

John W. Tucker

Granada Hills Charter High School

## GRANADA HILLS CHARTER

1/23/2020

To:

From: Granada Hills Charter 9-12 10535 Zelzah Avenue Granada Hills, CA 91344

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Executive Director: Brian Bauer Phone: (818) 360-2361

GR: 09 Term:

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New Media 1 A	A		5
Adv Speech A	A		5
H English 9 A	A		5
CP Spanish 1 A	A		5
Adv Team 9/Health A	A		5
H Chemistry A	'A		5
CP Geometry A	Α.		5
	GPA: 4.1667	Credit:	35.000

2016-17 Granada Hills Charter 9-12

2016-17 Granada Hills Charter 9-12	GR: 09	Term: 2
Course	Grade	Credit
New Media 1 B	A	5
Adv Speech B	A	5
H English 9 B	A	5
CP Spanish 1 B	A	5
Adv Team 9/Health B	A	5
H Chemistry B	A	5
CP Geometry B	A	5
GPA: 4.1667	Credit:	35,000

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Course		Gra	de	Cred	it
H Biology A		A			5
Adv Speech A		Α.			5
CP Spanish 3 A		A			5
AP World History A		A			5
CP Algebra 2 A		A			5
H English 10 A		A		113	5
Fitness for Life A		A		1	5
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H Biology B	A	5
Adv Speech B	A	5
AP World History B	A	5
CP Spanish Speakers 2 B	A	5
CP Algebra 2 B	A	5
H English 10 B	A	5
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CP Painting 1AB		A	10
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Course	Grade	Credit
AP Seminar A	A	5
AP US History A	A	5
AP Spanish Language A	A	5
Adv Speech A	A	5
CP Pre-Calculus A	A	5
AP Environmental Science A	A	5
AP English Language A	A	5
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AP Seminar B	A	5
AP US History B	A	5
AP Spanish Language B	A	5
Adv Speech B	A	5
CP Pre-Calculus B	A	5
AP English Language B	A	5
AP Environmental Science B	A	5
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Course	Grade	Credit
HL IB Env Systems and Soc 2 A	A	5
AP US Government & Politics A	A	5
AP Spanish Literature A	A	5
CP Statistics A	A	5
AP English Literature A	A	5
AP Research A	A	5
CPA: 48	333 Credit	30,000

Course	Grade	Credit
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AP Spanish Literature B.		:0
CP Statistics B		.0
AP English Literature B		0
AP Research B		0
AP Microeconomics B		0
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Class Rank GPA	4.4468
Total Credit	255,000

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Date \_\_\_\_\_



### 2020 SCAG SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

### **APPLICATION FORM**

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APPLICANT NO.	LA-230		
COUNTY Los	Angeles		
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City:	State: CA	Zip Code:
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### 2020 SCAG SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

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APPLICANT NO. LA-230

COUNTY Los Angeles

### **APPLICATION FORM**

EDUCATIONAL INFORMA	TION:	
Current Education Status (Check	One):	
High School Junior	ligh School Senior Co	mmunity College
If community college student, lis	t semesters completed*:	
High School: Charter Oak High	gh School	
City/State: Covina CA		
Date of Graduation: 05/08/202	O Grad	le Point Average (Unweighed): 3.56
If graduating senior, name of inte	ended college/university*: Ur	niversity of California Los Angeles
Intended major: Environment		
*Graduating students must provide prod	of of enrollment in higher education	in order to receive the scholarship award.
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Community College (If Applicable	e):	
City/State:		
Grade Point Average:	Inte	nded Major:
ACTIVITIES & INTERESTS	S:	
A.) List and briefly describe your	extracurricular activities (e.g	memberships in organizations, sports, etc.):
Organization Involved	Position Held	Date of Involvement:
Charter Oak High School	Varsity Co- Captain	08/2019- 05/2020
Charter Oak High School		08/2016-05/2020
Charter Oak High School	Secretary	08/2017-05/2020
Black Student Union	President	08/2018-05/2020
Assemblywoman Blanca Rubio Young leaders Program	Education Committee	e 02/2020- now
Brief description of your respon	sibilities (attach additional pa	age(s) if necessary):



# Attachment: Los Angeles County Applications: 201, 202, 204, 208, 215, 221, 222, 224, 230 (2020 SCAG Scholarship Program)

### 2020 SCAG SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

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COUNTY Los Angeles

**APPLICATION FORM** 

ACTIVITIES & INTERESTS (CONTINUED	ACTIVITIES	& INTERESTS	(CONTINUED)
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Organization Involved	Activity	Date of Involvement:
Covina Team	Reading with children at Public Libraries and Planting trees in communities	2017-2018
Charter Oak Unified PTA	Cooking, Greeting families, seting up and tearing down school dances.	2016-2020
Brief description of how you par	ticipated (attach additional page(s)	if necessary):
C.) List honors or academic awa	rds you have received (e.g., scholar	ly activities, research, etc
Award/Honor	Institution/Organization	Date
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I grew up in South LA and like some of my peers from my community, I've faced many obstacles. I received my K-8 education at multiple under-funded schools. My teachers were great, but faced challenges such as large class sizes and textbook shortages. This made learning difficult. To add to these challenges, my parents both suffer from substance abuse and mental health issues.

Eventually, I was removed from my parents by social workers and placed with my Godparents who lived only 30 minutes from my home. While difficult, the move impacted my view of the world in many ways, but most importantly it opened my eyes to the educational disparities that exist not only in LA, but in California as a state. This has motivated me to fight for change, especially in the community I once called home.

Education is a basic human right and I want to do everything in my power to ensure that everyone is able to access it. Students in lower income communities should have the same available resources and access college as their other peers in wealthier communities. No one should not have to leave their neighborhood to experience opportunities that will guide them towards success. Additionally, every school district should have resources to ensure that all teachers are paid a salary that keeps them inspired to come to work everyday.

I currently participate in Assemblywomen Blanca Rubio's Youth Leadership program where I sit on the Education Committee. In this role, I have learned how public policy impacts both education policies. I understand how to create bills and have first hand experiences on how elected officials are tasked with creating good public policy. I've also spent time learning about policies such as red lining and school funding formulas. I am gaining the tools and knowledge to one day create policies that will positively impact the lives of Californians because what I know now more than ever is that zip codes should not and cannot determine outcomes, especially not in a state as great as California. I know we can do better.

Today, I am faced with deciding between universities such as UCLA, USC, and Howard University where I will become a social scientist so I can study the impact of environments and outcomes. While the choice is a difficult one to make, it's also exciting because I know this is the first step in making a difference in the lives of others. I see myself creating policies that will

ensure that all schools are equitably resourced so that when kids make it out of South Central and into a major university, it isn't a huge deal because it's a normal occurrence.



### CHARTER OAK HIGH SCHOOL

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Activities Director
Jaime Bauer

Athletic Director Dominic Farrar April 9, 2020

Attention: To Whom it may concern,

I am writing on behalf of who was is an outstanding student at Charter Oak High, and I have had a number of opportunities to experience maturity, dedication, and Leadership. has excelled at Charter Oak High in a number of capacities and I cannot say enough about numerous outstanding personal qualities.

personality and rigorous work ethic sets apart from most other students. attention to detail and commitment to quality, creativity, and organization make a success as a student. As a result, has achieved a great deal of success and should be commended for role and contribution with clubs and activities while at Charter Oak High School. During time with us, has excelled in our International Baccalaureate honors program, participated in American Sign Language, and was an integral part of our CIF championship cheer program just to name a few. also received a special recognition for talents in our earning best stage presence and best technique.

In all, firm resolve, determination, and pride can lead to nothing but success as she pursues higher education. has a genuine thirst for knowledge, and willingness to accept new ideas and to use constructive criticism to benefit will allow to take on the challenges that life brings her way. I give my unconditional recommendation for . Should you have questions or need further information, please call any time.

Sincerely,

Joey Strycula Principal

Charter Oak High School 626-915-5841 EXT. 30200



May 7, 2020

Southern California Association of Governments Attn: 2020 SCAG Scholarship Program 550 South Main Street, Suite 741 Orange, CA 92868

Re: SCAG 2020 Scholarship

To whom it may concern:

It is with great excitement that I submit this recommendation letter on behalf of - a Charter Oak High School graduating senior with a 3.5 grade point average and a diverse resume of extracurricular activities. From performing arts to community service, I can attest to consistent ability to rise to the occasion.

Growing up in South Central Los Angeles, credits childhood experiences for inspiring passion for public service. Just last summer, attended a youth leadership summit that focused on community advocacy. later organized a National Day of Action event at school to raise awareness of the harmful effects of vaping. leadership on campus demonstrates creativity and attention to pertinent issues affecting peers.

dedication both in the classroom and in the community are sure signs of a future leader. As a mentor, I have been fortunate to witness growth throughout the years. is persistent, compassionate, and smart, and in the fall, will be the first in her family to attend college - a very significant milestone.

As prepares for freshman year at University California, Los Angeles, I have encouraged to pursue opportunities that will enhance civic engagement and activism. I genuinely believe that Ashley is a strong candidate, well-qualified for the 2020 SCAG Scholarship Program, and I encourage you to consider application. Should you have any additional questions, please contact me at (562) 570-6137 or rex.richardson@longbeach.gov.

Sincerely,

Councilmember Rex Richardson City of Long Beach, 9th District

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Signature:

Date: 04 Packet Pg. 120

### SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

**ATTACHMENT 3** 

ORANGE COUNTY APPLICATIONS: 304, 313, 317, 318, 323, 324, 326, 332

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### 2020 SCAG SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

### APPLICATION FORM

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COUNTY	Oran	ge		
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July 2020 Aug  *Students must be available for a tw  To the best of my knowledge, the	September 2020  o-week (80 hours) internship, in addition to attending a Regional Council meeting.



# Attachment: Orange County Applications: 304, 313, 317, 318, 323, 324, 326, 332 (2020 SCAG Scholarship Program)

### 2020 SCAG SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

APPLICATION FORM

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APPLICANT NO. OC-304	
COUNTY Orange	

EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION:				
Current Education Status (Check One):				
High School Junior High	gh School Senior Communi	ty College		
If community college student, list	semesters completed*:			
High School: Laguna Hills Hig	h School			
City/State: Laguna Hills				
Date of Graduation: 06/11/2020	Grade Poir	nt Average (Unweighed): 4.00		
If graduating senior, name of inter	nded college/university*: UC Dav	vis		
	nagement and Restoration			
*Graduating students must provide proof	of enrollment in higher education in order	to receive the scholarship award.		
Community College (If Applicable)	:			
City/State:				
Grade Point Average: Intended Major:				
ACTIVITIES & INTERESTS	•			
A.) List and briefly describe your extracurricular activities (e.g. memberships in organizations, sports, etc.):				
Organization Involved	Position Held	Date of Involvement:		
LHHS Theatre Dept.	Actor and Crew Member	September 2016-Present		
Gardening Club	President	August 2018-Present		
Arts Clubs	President and VP	August 2017-Present		
Int'l Thespian Society	Member	Spring 2018-Present		
Spanish Honor Society	Member	September 2019-Present		
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Brief description of your responsibilities (attach additional page(s) if necessary):

I've fully immersed myself in the theatrical and artistic community at my high school, which depends on students to run every aspect of our shows. Whether I'm on stage or behind the scenes, teamwork and responsibility are the key to success. Mobilizing students to act sustainably for the benefit of our community is a passion of mine, and in my time as Gardening Club President I've increased membership to over 70 people and raised almost \$600 for the restoration of the Native Garden and the installation of a hydroponics system on campus.



# Attachment: Orange County Applications: 304, 313, 317, 318, 323, 324, 326, 332 (2020 SCAG Scholarship Program)

### 2020 SCAG SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

APPLICANT NO. OC-304

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**COUNTY** Orange

### APPLICATION FORM

### ACTIVITIES & INTERESTS (CONTINUED)

B.) List and briefly describe volunteer activities in which you have been involved

Organization Involved	Activity	Date of Involvement:
California Youth Climate Strike	State Policy Team Member	Winter/Spring 2020
Saddleback Valley	Student Organic Waste	Spring 2019-Present
CA Dept. of Fish & Wildlife	Back Bay Marine Life Inventory	Winter 2020
iNaturalist	Citizen science (plant IDs)	Spring 2019
Zooniverse	Citizen science (transcriptions)	Fall 2015

Brief description of how you participated (attach additional page(s) if necessary):

As part of the California Youth Climate Strike, I worked on endorsements, policy statements, community education, podcast episodes, articles, live-streamed webinars, and weekly meetings leading up to Earth Week 2020 events. I try to engage in environmental work in any way possible, whether it's hands-on or digital.

C.) List honors or academic awards you have received (e.g., scholarly activities, research, etc.):

Award/Honor	Institution/Organization	Date
DELE Nivel B1	Spanish Ministry of Education, Culture, and Sport	Fall 2019
Delegate		Summer 2019
IB Student of the Year	CA Assoc. of IB World Schools	Winter 2020
1st Place Video	Global Connect at UCI	Spring 2017
Nat'l Merit Scholarship Letter of Commendation	College Board	Fall 2019

D.) List and briefly describe any work experience:

Position	Employer	Dates of Employment
N/A		

Brief description of your work responsibilities (attach additional page(s) if necessary):

Due to my involvement in theatre and volunteer work, plus summer family travels, I haven't had time to pursue paid work.



I chose to study Ecological Management and Restoration at UC Davis because the program combines three crucial ways of engaging with my community: research, public service, and professional mentorship.

As part of the International Baccalaureate program at my high school, I've spent the last few months writing a 4000-word paper on how the principles of New Urbanism need to be redesigned to address the environmental impacts of suburbanization.

Developing my own thesis and carrying out original research has been a surprisingly addictive experience, and I'm eager to seek mentors who can guide me along my chosen career path. Design and planning draw on a plethora of fields—architecture, psychology, public policy, sociology, history, and ecology, to name a few—so creating effective solutions is like solving a puzzle, and it requires me to be innovative yet realistic. I'm driven to learn not for learning's sake but because the more I know, the better I can solve complex problems.

One of the most complex challenges I've faced up to this point has been my service project of restoring a California native garden on my high school campus. The summer before my junior year in high school, I asked administration for permission to turn a barren 400 square-foot plot into a pollinator garden. They responded by giving me the neglected 4,000 square-foot Native Garden. I couldn't wait to immerse students in the natural habitats of Southern California without them ever needing to leave school boundaries.

Luckily, I wasn't alone in my quest. After spending my junior year drawing up plans, directing the district's efforts to clear out the space, and coaching local church volunteers through completing the original pollinator garden, I was approached by a group of students who wanted to install a hydroponics system on campus.

After working together every week over the summer improving the Native Garden, I decided that bringing all of the environmental clubs on campus together under one banner would be more efficient than each of us working in isolation. Thus began the Ecollective, a collaboration between Gardening Club, ECO Club, Green Team, and Science Club, each with different responsibilities but all with the shared goal to make our campus more sustainable.

As a way to showcase our community-centric values, we held our first Garden Party fundraiser at sunset on September 21st, offering an evening of free food, live music, and karaoke for a \$5 admission. Sitting in our outdoor amphitheater, crafted from recycled tree stumps, and surrounded by fifty of my fellow students, I envisioned the school's near future: herb and vegetable gardens for the culinary program, reducing all waste to be either recyclable or compostable, English classes caring for a Shakespeare garden, science classes designing vertical wall gardens, and art students painting outdoor murals.

Obviously, this project has required me to immerse myself in multiple facets of public service: fundraising, organizing, logistics, and community engagement. Planning and design is the only career path I've found that fulfills my ten-year-old self's desire to create a space that is at once uniquely my own and for the benefit of all. By the time I leave Laguna Hills, I know my efforts will be rewarded with a lasting impact on my community, and I hope to further my passion for giving back.

Finally, I've always sought mentors who can give me insight into the world of careers in design and planning. At home, that's been the UC Master Gardener Erik Katzmaier, who introduced me to the joys of gardening and environmental horticulture. As I traveled, however, my mentors became the natural and built environments themselves. Although I didn't know it at the time, the rangelands of Wyoming and the half-timbered old town of Zurich shaped the way I think about the real-life applications of planning and design. I'm hoping a summer internship before I start college will introduce me to even more professional mentors and perspectives.



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### **Board of Education**

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Crystal Turner, Ed.D Superintendent

September 18, 2019

### To Whom it May Concern:

This letter is to recommend for college admission. I have known for two years as both AP Psychology teacher and Honors American Government Teacher. has been an elite student here at Laguna Hills High School. is ranked in the top 10 in class and has excelled in both my Psychology and Government classes. has won academic achievement and the Soaring Hawk awards (best exemplifying characteristics valued at Laguna Hills High School) every year. critical thinking skills are top notch and is one of the brightest students I have had in 15 years of teaching.

In addition to excelling in the classroom, is active in the performing arts. was copresident of the Musicians Collective Club and president and founder of the Arts Collective Club. For the last three years has been a member of the International Thespian Society. Three times has earned the CETA Certificate for Outstanding Theatrical Work and won the Bright Spot Award for the M.A.C.Y.s. has also completed a year long Song Summit course on music theory and has had an album published in 2018.

is one of the most outstanding people I have ever encountered. is natural leader both in and outside of the classroom. Students naturally turn to for guidance and assistance on everything ranging from academics to the performing arts to language or even botany. is always ready to lend a hand. often helps multiple teachers during teacher aiding period. does all of this without ego and through genuine caring for others.

is an outstanding student and even more outstanding person. I highly recommend for the SCAG (Southern California Association of Governments) Scholarship Program. Please feel free to contact me at <a href="mailto:burkette@svusd.org">burkette@svusd.org</a> if you have anymore questions.

Sincerely

Eric Burkett
AP Psychology Teacher
Honors American Government Teacher
Social Science Department Chair
Laguna Hills High School

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Crystal Turner Ed.D.
Superintendent

May 5, 2020

To Whom it May Concern,

In all my teaching experience I have never had the opportunity to work with a student as extraordinary as As the IB Coordinator I have been able to work with over the last two years through the IB Diploma Program and I had the pleasure of teaching last year in my AP United States History class where he excelled above the rest and study of history, was always willing to challenge with more. Through has demonstrated time and again ability to effectively research and write excellent argumentative papers by providing solid, well selected evidence. a love of history that fosters through asking tough questions and really evaluating perspectives of sources studied, as own through reading various histories on topics of interest. well as. continuing learning on has a work ethic that does not waiver and possesses a love of learning I've never seen before. is truly an excellent student who is mature bevond years, a true modern day and has developed into a strong leader among

In addition to excelling in social science, has proven to be an overall, well rounded and high achieving student. As an IB diploma candidate, truly exemplifies the IB Learner Profile and has chosen to take the most rigorous courses offered at LHHS representing the top 10% of students on campus who are part of the IB program. currently is ranked among the highest achieving students in class maintaining a 4.8 GPA while taking the most rigorous course of study offered at LHHS and is dedicated and driven to stick with programs has been very involved in the theatre begins. production program at LHHS throughout highschool experience. I have had the pleasure of seeing hand in many plays that has performed in. sings, dances, plays multiple instruments and all with a level of skill that is impressive. educational accomplishments and talents are definitely something to be proud of.

most admirable qualities are kindness, motivation to succeed, and leadership qualities. Through aenuine created the LHHS Gardening Club, that concern for and love of our planet has been the president of for the last two years, and founded the ECOllective during the summer of 2019. Through these roles, raised funds to build an on-campus native plant garden, as well as planter boxes for the culinary program. has also helped with the installation of the hydroponics system on campus and been appointed the Student Lead for organic waste diversion in SVUSD. has also provided guidance for schools in various states who are trying to initiate similar programs on their campuses. has served in leadership roles as the president or vice president of the Artists' Collective, Musicians' Collective, and the Arts Appreciation Club since sophomore year. always has a positive attitude and a smile on positive attitude transfers to peers and into all he endeavors to pursue for always meets a challenge head on with an attitude of perseverance resulting in successful outcomes.

In conclusion, it is hard to define in a letter of recommendation. passion, morals and work ethic are unmatched. is not your typical high school student-- genuinely cares and really wants to make this world a better place. This is evident through academic choices for aspires to study Ecological Management and Restoration, with the career goals of either going on to teach at the university level, work for a land trust, or pursue landscape architecture in communities affected by environmental racism. I truly wish I will have the experience of teaching a student like again in the future. is extraordinary in every way and a very deserving candidate for the SCAG Scholarship award.

Sincerely,

Laurel Crossett International Baccalaureate Coordinator Social Science Department Laguna Hills High School

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Attachment: Orange County Applications: 304, 313, 317, 318, 323, 324, 326, 332 (2020 SCAG Scholarship Program)

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### 2020 SCAG Scholarship Program - OC-313

### **Personal Information**

**Full Name** 

All items marked with \* are required.

**Address** 

**United States** 

County

**Phone Number** 

E-mail

Internship Availability July 2020

### **Educational Information**

Current Educational Status
High School Senior

**Date of Graduation** Wednesday, June 10, 2020

Name of Educational Institution Huntington Beach High School

**Location of Educational Institution**Huntington Beach, California
United States

Grade Point Average (GPA) Type

Weighted

Grade Point Average (GPA) 4.3

Intended College / University University of California, Berkeley

Intended Major Political Science

### **Activities & Interests**

A) List and Briefly Describe Your Extracurricular Activities (e.g., Memberships in Groups, Sports, etc.):

Organization	Position Held	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
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Organization	Position Held	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
Model United Nations	Senior Teachers	09/2016- 06/2020
Envision Pre-Medicine Camp at UC Berkeley	Atendee	07/2017- 08/2017
Honors English I Peer Tutor	Peer Tutor	09/2018- 06/2020

### **Description of Responsibilities:**

As MUN is a largely complicated and confusing program to navigate, my school equips all freshman MUN classes with 2-3 senior teachers who attend class everyday and aid in teaching the freshmen who to succeed in MUN. During my freshman year, my senior teachers Paula and Eshaan were more than just class aides, they were my mentors. After feeling their in. uence on my life, I worked throughout my MUN career to eventually be chosen as a Senior Teacher myself from my MUN class of over 100.

Envision is an organization that facilitates summer camps on various college campuses focused on specific careers or professions that require higher education. Envision's pre-med camp at UC Berkeley provides its students with an array of guest speakers, CPR-certification opportunities, medical simulations and activities, MCAT lectures and practice, as well as medical student mentors. Envision is effective in its group work, for it prepares its students for a real future career in medicine.

During my English Honors I class, my teacher provided freshman classes with a Senior student who would attend class everyday and act as a peer tutor for all tasks regarding English. After aiding my freshman English teacher in his summer prep class, he asked me to be his peer tutor. As an English peer tutor for two years now, I am able to further my knowledge, understanding, and passion for English language and literature while simultaneously help create the next generation of English fanatics.

### B) List and Briefly Describe Volunteer **Activities in Which You Have Been** Involved:

Organization	Activity	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
Environmental Advocacy Team	Vice President	09/2018-06/2020
Lionsheart	Member	09/2016-06/2020
Doctors of Tomorrow	President	09/2019-06/2020
Fristers	Volunteer	09/2017-06/2020
National Honors Society	Member	09/2017-06/2020

### **Brief Description of Your Participation:**

Attending a school less than 5 miles from the beach, environmental crises are increasingly visible to myself and my peers. Wanting to make change, my friend and I founded the Environmental Advocacy team at our school last year, with the support of our school's Environmental Literature teacher Mrs. Harshmann. Mirroring our city's Environmental board, we attend council meetings as student advocates and relay our findings to our club, where we volunteer and advocate for climate change reform.

As a Lionsheart member of four years, I have learned the absolute importance that volunteering can be for the health of a community. Lionsheart holds a commitment to both the people and environment of a city, and as such, I have equally aided both over the course of my time as a Lionsheart volunteer. I served as the President of my Lionsheart group this year, and therefore helped our

and facilitate monthly group volunteer efforts over the course of the year.

C) List Honors or Academic Awards You Have Received (e.g., Scholarly Activities, Research, etc.):

Organization	Award / Honor	MM/Y YYY
Edison Model United Nations	Best Delegate	10/20 19
Berkeley Model United Nations	Best Delegate	03/20 20
Model United Nations International School of the Hague	Best Delegate	11/20 19

### **Brief Description of Your Work Responsibilities:**

As , I was tasked with greeting guests and organizing the small space to ensure maximum profitability. Since there were so few tables, I had to think fast on whether or not I could take that party of 5, or more commonly, if I should spare that 4-person table for the young couple wanting a quick bite. The inefficiency of the restaurant led me to advise the manager, Frank, to consider creating a new Take Out system. My advice was well received, as we are now hip in our usage of Postmates!

To the best of my knowledge, the contents of my application are accurate and I am authorized to work in the United States.†

Agree

### 2020 SCAG Scholarship Program Essay

Each year, my birthday serves as a reason to grow, physically and mentally, from one age to the next. Just a year and a half ago, I awaited the arrival of the 16th birthday bash my mom and I had dreamed of since I was . However, before I could get too excited, I came down with a fever that worried my parents enough to send me to Urgent Care twice in one week. After four days of school absence, I was given an empty diagnosis and a heavy dose of Amoxicillin. An answer to my internal concern was provided the next day in the pleasant phrase "You need emergency surgery." With those four words, I unfortunately my goodbye.

I do not remember the sequence of events from when the Doctor told me that my appendix had ruptured and that I was in danger of a blood infection, to being awoken with a tube in my nose, a pump in my stomach, and an IV attached to my arm. Poor health was something I sympathized with, but never held the ability to empathize, so to hear that an organ as insignificant as the appendix had destroyed my health so quickly was nothing short of comical to me. The reality I soon came face to face with was that millions of Americans face medical emergencies they are unprepared for every single day. A medical emergency that would proceed to steal over ten days of my life could not have come at a more inconvenient time. While in the hospital, I missed my AP Art History Exam, received zeroes on countless tests and quizzes, and faced a lack of motivation that would compromise my potential to succeed when I returned to school. When I was eventually discharged, I was accompanied by a pesky Picc Line injected into my arm that allowed me to metaphorically hold me back from taking accountability for my studies. By the time I fell back into the rhythm of my life, I had regained the twelve pounds I had lost, but my Sophomore year of high school had come to an end.

Although I felt like a year of my high school transcript was majorly wasted, I entered the summer with a growth mindset and a motivation to show the world my real potential. I have always been inclined to pursue medicine and health policy due to its promise of changing lives, but experiencing first hand how impactful a health complication as common as appendicitis was on my own life, I finally decided to take action. I proceeded to apply and be accepted to an Envision pre-med summer camp at UC Berkeley, where I not only regained my self confidence as an aspiring medical professional and politician, but learned that no challenge could ever permanently debilitate me. At this week long medical experience, I learned the meanings of the terminology my own doctor used during my hospital stay, I learned how to draw blood in the way my favorite nurse did for me every morning at 5 am, and finally, I learned just how stunning a career that intersected medicine and public advocacy could be, especially for a who was already so immensely changed by the work of the doctors and nurses at CHOC Children's Hospital.

Following my time at Envision, I'd much prefer to be the leading a group through a triage simulation on a college campus to then earn all As her first semester of junior year, as opposed to the dreading her routine walk of the day, for it meant leaving depressive state in the hospital bed and accepting disappointing sophomore year GPA. When I attended the Envision pre-med program at UC Berkeley, I was lucky enough to listen in on guest speaker Brittany Robinson and her experience as a burn victim. Since then, my dream job has been a Plastic Surgeon, specialized in Reconstruction, eventually to work internationally for women victimized by violent acid burns.

My dreams for my career do not end here, though. Alongside working as a specialized Plastic Surgeon, I hope to extend my ambitions towards public advocacy in the realm of access to healthcare and medical research. I hope to one day work for a major international organization like the CDC, WHO, UN, or NCBI in order to not only work as a Doctor, but also as an international spokesperson and reformer capable of drafting both national and international documents governing the practices of medicine, as well as all human being's right to proper healthcare. The beauty in working as a Doctor not only rests in their ability to save lives, but also in their ability to change lives in a tangible manner only possible through public policy and legal reform. My time as both a delegate and Senior Teacher in my high school's Model United Nations Program has taught me that all careers can and should intersect with public policy and advocacy, in order to ensure that all human beings around the world are promised equality, with paper evidence to back it up.

Prior to MUN, I was a young, first generation, living in a family where my Law School-bound brother was seen as the intelligent, socially-aware sibling, while I was more of the outcast listening in on your typical political discussions at the dinner table. Although I know my family was well-intended in their behavior, that sort of situation can stick with a and tell them that their thoughts aren't as important as their . However, after 3 grueling years of hard work in MUN, as well as my time at Envision, I have transformed into an equal at my dinner table. The respect that I have earned from both my family and my peers is something I hope for all young students, specifically like me, to experience. Although I hope to pursue a career in medicine, it is clear to me that my passions and ambitions equally lie within the realm of advocacy and policy, to ensure that all individuals are legally guaranteed access to basic rights such as healthcare and education.



### **Huntington Beach High School**

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Letter of Recommendation Re: From Josh Anderson Honors English teacher

To whom it may concern:

wasn't even supposed to be in my class, but the guidance office needed to balance classes, and my 0 Period apparently had room. "Who is this kid?" I asked my colleague Michael who had first semester. "Oh, I'm losing a great kid, a good writer" he replied with disappointment. His loss was my gain, as I had the opportunity to teach this thoughtful, humble 9th grader who would become one of the best peer tutors I've ever had.

earned a solid "A" in my class and delivered one of the most compelling speeches of the year on "This I Believe" final. titled it "Difference in Successes," where argued that success to means being "comfortable with [ life and able to give back to those who have helped, are less fortunate, or who simply seek a helping hand." I was impressed with meaningful message ( wanted to "contribute to humanity's improvements") and I noted on online rubric "very mature up there...love it without the notes."

tremendous organizational skills and interpersonal communication, not to mention Because of to volunteer as a peer tutor for my Honors English Prep and Honors English powerful speech, I asked 1 classes. Thankfully, said yes. For the past three summers and during junior/senior years, has served as my right hand in my 0 Period class. Yes, essentially took on a summer internship and an extra academic class to give back to English department and truly improve the lives job description includes tasks beyond the mere record keeping and organizing that a of others. teacher's aide would do. Instead. acts more like a student teacher, having many serious responsibilities: leading class discussions, monitoring group projects, providing example writing, critiquing papers, conferencing with students about their schoolwork, counseling students about their personal lives, and being available in tutorial and via email. To say valuable would be an understatement; indispensable. I am a better teacher and my students are better writers, readers, thinkers, but most importantly human beings with in my classroom.

lives life with a genuine sense of purpose for others, and course selection the past couple years (Peer Tutoring, MUN Senior Teaching, Medical Ethics English class) demonstrates that altruistic attitude. sacrifices time to help others, balancing a more than full academic and extracurricular load because a people person who loves making a difference. I know will do just that in college and beyond. I am so incredibly proud of and I am honored to write on behalf. Based upon a thorough observation of I can wholeheartedly, without reservation, recommend!

Sincerely,

Joshua L Anderson

Josh Anderson



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### Daniel Morris

Principal

### Edward Begany

Assistant Principal

### Dave Yonts

Assistant Principal

### Tim Floyd

Assistant Principal

### Shawn McManus

Assistant Principal

### Stacy Robison

Assistant Principal To Whom It May Concern:

was a good student and then was elite. I am not sure exactly what happened. My best insight is that decided that if she was going to be a part of our Advanced Placement History and Model United Nations program, was not going to just get by, was going to be the best.

has since made good on that promise to was the only student who scored perfectly on each of conference preparation question and answer sessions last year. speeches were always powerful and clear and knowledge was specific and thorough. As a result, earned several "Best" and "Outstanding" delegate awards at the conference attended.

As skills grew so did confidence. is one of the nicest and most thoughtful students I have ever taught, but is not to be trifled with. At last conference, while discussing decision in a whaling case in the International Court of Justice, a attempted to mock knowledge by accusing of not knowing the differences between whale species and therefore not knowing which ones to protect.

proceeded to give my single favorite response to a question in the last decade.

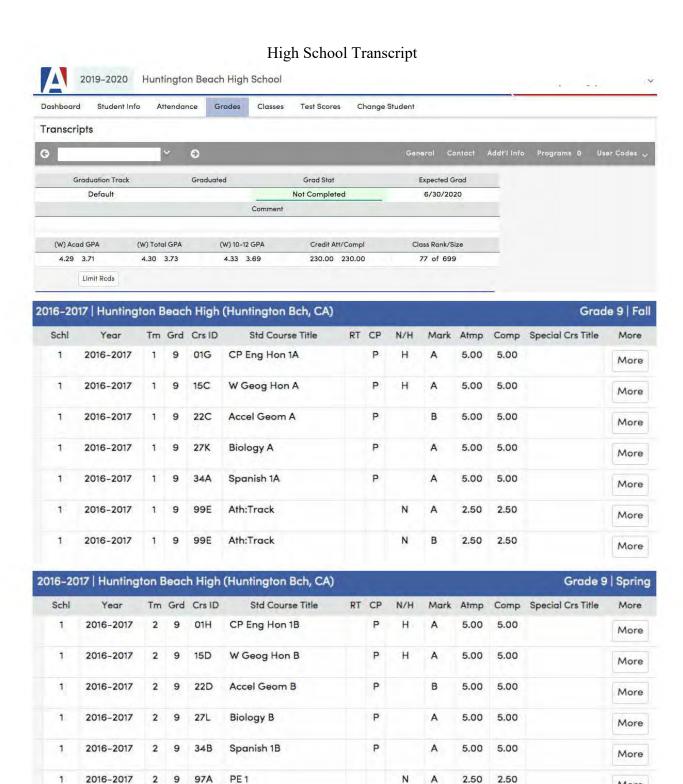
first responded that did indeed know the difference and described knowledge. Then came the devastation. informed the student that even though knew the science, job as a judge was not to make scientific inquiries but instead to use international law to judge existing data in order to make accurate legal decisions.

finished by citing those international laws and detailing how they applied to specific case. When sat down I shot a well done look and gave me back a sly smile. later told me that afterwards, to his credit, the student had told "well done" and "you got me," but still was furious with the lack of respect And that might be the most impressive part. was disrespected and questioned and acted with such strength calmness and intellect in response. It was the moment I realized that was not just any leader, was special.

Today, is a "Senior Teacher." helps me teach 37 freshmen students World Geography and MUN. Not surprisingly is the best "Senior Teacher" I have. All nine of my "Senior Teachers" are special students and leaders but stands out for the effectiveness of communication and ability to connect with the students as a peer but also demand respect as a teacher. No disrespect to my fantastic colleagues, but if was a credentialed staff member, get my nomination for teacher of the year.

In conclusion, is an elite student and leader. growth has been dramatic and shows no sign of slowing. I am constantly impressed by and give my highest recommendation.

Sincerely,
Shaun Haney
Huntington Beach High School
AP US History/World Geography Honors
Model United Nations Adviser
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1	2018-2019	2	11	34F	Spanish 3B		P		Α-	5.00	5.00		More

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1	2019-2020	1	12	05R	Lit/Eth Hlth A		P		Α	5.00	5.00		More
1	2019-2020	1	12	13K	AP US Govt		Р	H/AP	В	5.00	5.00		More
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1	2019-2020	1	12	225	AP Stats A		P	H/AP	В	5.00	5.00		More
1	2019-2020	1	12	27Q	AP Biology A		Р	H/AP	B-	5.00	5.00		More
1	2019-2020	1	12	341	AP Spanish 4A		Р	H/AP	Α-	5.00	5.00		More
1	2019-2020	1	12	91P	Peer Tutoring				Α	5.00	5.00		More

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# 2020 SCAG Scholarship Program - OC-317

# **Personal Information**

**Full Name** 

All items marked with \* are required.

**Address** 

County Orange

**Phone Number** 

E-mail

Internship Availability July 2020 August 2020

# **Educational Information**

Current Educational Status
High School Senior

Name of Educational Institution Oxford Academy

**Location of Educational Institution**Cypress, California

Grade Point Average (GPA) Type Weighted

Grade Point Average (GPA) 4.00

Intended College / University University of California, Berkeley

Intended Major Environmental Economics and Policy

# **Activities & Interests**

A) List and Briefly Describe Your Extracurricular Activities (e.g., Memberships in Groups, Sports, etc.):

Organization	Position Held	MM/YY YY to MM/YY YY

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Organization	Position Held	MM/YY YY to MM/YY YY
Oxford Academy Spiritus Yearbook	Editor-in-Chief 19-20; Copy Editor 18-19; Clubs Editor 17-18	08/201 5 to 05/202 0
Oxford Academy Chinese Language and Culture Club	Co-President and Founder 18-19	06/201 8 to 05/201 9
Oxford Academy American Cancer Society	Co-President 19-20; Secretary 18-19	08/201 6 to 05/202 0
Oxford Academy Health and Nutrition Club	President 19-20; Activities Commissioner 18-19; Historian 17-18	08/201 6 to 05/202 0
Oxford Academy Cross Country	JV	06/201 6 to 10/201 7

# **Description of Responsibilities:**

Spiritus Yearbook:

(Editor-in-Chief 2019-2020): Manage the production of the book by tracking and leading all projects. Communicate information from the advisor and publisher to the rest of staff. Train staff on design and photography. Teach students how to use Adobe Photoshop and Indesign. Develop a theme for the yearbook beginning during the summer. Edit all spreads for stylistic errors.

(Copy Editor 2018-2019): Write the main stories (opening, dividers, ending) of a yearbook. Train staff on journalistic interviewing. Revise staff's copies and guide them through the editing process. (Clubs Editor 2017-2018): Contact teachers and students to create a schedule of club events.

Oxford Academy Chinese Language and Culture Club:

I co-founded a Chinese culture club on my school campus, allowing Chinese students to celebrate their heritage. We aim to increase the student body's understanding and appreciation for the Chinese culture and language. We educate students through interactive activities such as Chinese origami, lanternmaking, discussing Chinese festivals and folklores, and dancing traditional fan performances for our school's international show. I conducted meetings and events while collaborating with the advisor and

guiding other board members.

Oxford Academy American Cancer Society:

Raise cancer awareness on campus and in my community. Provide assistance to cancer patients and families through working with national ACS chapter. Organize my school's participation in a local Relay for Life fundraising event for American Cancer Society and cancer-related institutions. Conducted meetings and events while collaborating with the advisor and guiding other board members.

Oxford Academy Health and Nutrition Club:

Raise awareness on health and wellness. Foster an environment that supports healthy choices and physical wellness. Break health and weight stigmas. Plan events such as smoothie booth fundraisers and coordinating Zumba classes. Take photos for all events and manage social media accounts. Conduct meetings and events while collaborating with the advisor and guiding other board members.

Participated in Cross Country in freshman and sophomore years.

# B) List and Briefly Describe Volunteer Activities in Which You Have Been Involved:

Organization	Activity	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
Youth Action Committee of Cypress and La Palma	Recreation volunteering; Vice Chair 19-20; Go-Green Chair 18-19	08/2017 to 05/2020
Aquarium of the Paci. c	Exhibit interpreter and guest services; VolunTEEN 2018; Aquarium Ambassador 2020	06/2018 to 08/2018; 03/2020
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Orange County	Youth mentor	01/2017 to 10/2017
of Cypress	Senior center volunteer	02/2020 to 03/2020

# **Brief Description of Your Participation:**

The Youth Action Committee of Cypress and La Palma, or YAC, allows teenagers from the cities of Cypress and La Palma to organize and supervise recreational events.

(Vice Chair 2019-2020): Log all members' volunteer hours. Keep records of volunteer events in Cypress and La Palma while communicating with city recreation. Attend city council and recreation meetings. Log volunteer opportunities outside Cypress and La Palma and share it with my Youth Action Committee peers to encourage civic engagement.

(Go-Green Chair 2018-2019): Organized the Cypress Cleanup Day and met with city leaders to discuss waste management systems in our city.

Aquarium of the Pacific: Educate and entertain guests on marine life and ocean sciences. Interpret exhibits and work as part of guest services to ensure all guests have a positive experience. Promote environmental stewardship and resolve guest issues.

Big Brothers Big Sisters of America reaches out to low-income children who come from difficult backgrounds and matches them with an older mentor. This connects the children facing adversities to resources such as after-school tutoring, or simply pairs them up with an older friend to talk to. I mentored and tutored an elementary school student every Tuesday. The other high school "bigs" and I would create exhibits on the topic of academic achievement—one example is when we created a high school fair for the elementary students and showed the children different clubs and organizations they can join to develop their passions.

of Cypress: Deliver "kindness bags" to homebound seniors; bags consisted of essentials and goodies for isolated senior citizens unable to purchase them on their own. Socialize with senior citizens.

C) List Honors or Academic Awards You Have Received (e.g., Scholarly Activities, Research, etc.):

Organization	Award / Honor	MM /YY YY
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Organization	Award / Honor	MM /YY YY
Bakersfield Virtual Enterprise Trade Show	1st Place in Human Resources Scenario (speech and Q&A)	01/ 201 9
San Bernardino Forestry Challenge	3rd Place in Testing and Presentation	11/ 201 9
Academic	Academic Excellence in English Language Arts	05/ 201 9
Yearbooks at the Beach	Certificate of Excellence: Branding and Packaging Intensive	08/ 201 8
Academic	AP Scholar with Distinction	07/ 201 9

# D) List and Briefly Describe Any Work **Experience:**

Organizatio n	Position Held	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
Meet Fresh	Storefront cashier and barista	05/2019 to 10/2019

# **Brief Description of Your Work Responsibilities:**

I received my food handler's license and prepared desserts and created drinks. I also would work the cash register, gaining customer service experience.

To the best of my knowledge, the contents of my application are accurate and I am authorized to work in the United States.†

Agree

# SCAG Scholarship Essay: Environmental/Public Policies Interest

Every summer I recall in Taipei warrants imagery of humid, sickly air and inner city smog. I'd seek refuge in air-conditioned malls but step away from my oasis minutes later to sweat and bask in the putrid smell of sewage water and garbage roasting under the sun.

Although waste management systems are more efficient and high temperatures are more endurable in beachside suburban California where I live, I still think of the heat and air quality problems in Taiwan that resulted from poor urban planning and environmentally hazardous lifestyles. This led to me developing a passion for environmental science and policy.

I materialized my interest at the Aquarium of the Pacific, where I shadowed exhibit guides before becoming an exhibit interpreter myself. There, I educated guests on oceanic and coastal ecosystems. I was particularly inspired by field biologist and veterinarian Brooke Bessesen and her seminar on the vaquitas' extinction. The vaquitas only received the title of the world's most endangered marine mammal after decades of political and socio-economic conflict affecting fishermen on the Mexican border.

Wishing to further my knowledge on both ocean sciences and the societal implications of harmful policies, I researched these topics in my free time through resources such as the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration website and the Aquarium of the Pacific's livestreams and "aquacast" lectures by scientists.

I also promoted this issue in my AP English Language and Composition research project. In the paper, I discussed environmental sustainability and policy, exploitation of marginalized communities, and green gentrification. Throughout the essay, I cited what I learned from my time at the aquarium and my own research. I elaborated on why poor fishermen need to resort to illegally using the gillnets that caused the vaquitas' extinction, and I mentioned historic cases of environmental injustice and its ties to colonialism (as in the case of Nigeria with the Movement for the Survival of the Ogoni People against Chevron), which I learned from the book, "Slow Violence and the Environmentalism of the Poor" by Rob Nixon.

I am committed to an urban policy career with an environmental focus, since my outdoor experiences allowed me to gauge what working with natural resources management would be like. Wetland restoration programs where I help remove invasive species and beach clean-ups reinforced my verdict, and so did my time at the San Bernardino Forestry Challenge, where I

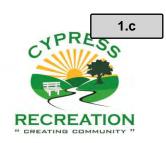
took a tree inventory at a future Demonstration State Forest, interpreted the data, and assisted foresters through a presentation on what should become of the site.

I am also a big proponent for public service and activism. Last year for my city's annual Arbor Day event, my youth volunteer team and I participated in a sponsorship program to help plant a new tree in our city's central park. I wanted to be more involved in the celebration, so I presented a booth on unsustainable agriculture with a group of friends. We chose the topic to educate attendees on how unsustainable farming limits people by depriving small farmers of economic opportunity and future generations of resources. Our tri-fold explained how to identify if farmers are following ethical and eco-friendly farming methods. We elaborated on ways people could practice environmentally conscious consumerism when grocery shopping. Other solutions we proposed at the booth included volunteering at local farms to advocate for small-scale agriculture and starting a do-it-yourself water-efficient garden. To engage children, we gave out potted black beans and promoted home-gardening as a step toward an eco-friendly food industry.

From reflecting back on growing up in an urban heat island to attending insightful seminars to increasing public outreach, I've been working toward achieving a higher world view of environmental stewardship and justice. At the University of California, Berkeley, I am planning to major in Environmental Economics and Policy and minoring in the Spanish language. After receiving a higher education, I hope to further my understanding of cross-cultural environmentalism, and I aspire to find solutions on how humans can coincide with nature and utilize its capital in the most sustainable and equitable manner.



# CITY of CYPRESS RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES 5700 Orange Avenue, Cypress California 90630 Phone 714-229-6780 www.cypressca.org Fax 714-229-6798



May 7, 2020 RE: RECOMMENDATION

Often I am called upon to write a letter of recommendation and it is with extreme pleasure and sincerity that I write this on behalf of .

has been a member of the City of Cypress and La Palma's Youth Action Committee (YAC) since August 2017. is reliable, demonstrates leadership, and is a great contributing member. Members of the Youth Action Committee play a vital role with both cities community services departments assisting throughout the school year with special events, youth and teen programs, and various projects. Duties while volunteering include but are not limited to providing input on teen related activities, answering questions for patrons, assisting with the setup and tear down of events, organizing games and crafts for children, assist with supervising participants, selling snack items, and much more. Along with these event duties, members are involved with learning the functions of local government by attending city council and commission meetings and must volunteer a minimum of 40 hours for the City of Cypress and/or City of La Palma events.

exceeded the normal To date, has completed 174 hours of volunteer service as a YAC member. Each year expectations held for all YAC members. In took on the roll as the Teen Fashion Scene Emcee. This junior year, position allowed to assist in script writing as well as being the voice and face for the community event. showed great responsibility and dedication with work as emcee. Additionally, in junior year, was responsible for bringing forward Go-green volunteer appointed as the Go-Green Chair. Within this position, opportunities for other members at meetings; organized and provided information for the Community Clean-Up Day, Tree Donation Project, beach clean-up day and much more. As a senior this year, holds the position of Youth Action Committee Vice-Chair. is responsible for recording all the event sign-ups and hours for all members. a good role model to both peers and to those younger than is a has a great attitude at all times, making hard worker, has great communication skills with the public, advisors and peers.

Not only is an excellent YAC member, also takes pride in school work; keeping a weighted academic grade point average of 4.24 as well as taking AP courses. Along with good grades, takes the time to be involved with school clubs such as Model United Nations, and Yearbook. has a passion for serving the community along with learning and educating others on the importance of protecting the environment.

It is a real pleasure to work with takes pride in work as a volunteer for the City of Cypress and La Palma Youth Action Committee. As one of the Youth Action Committee staff advisors, I highly recommend for the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) Scholarship Program. If there is a need to contact me, I can be reached at (714) 229-6780 or <a href="mailto:atern@cypressca.org">atern@cypressca.org</a>.

Sincerely,

Andi Jerry

Andi Terry Recreation Specialist, City of Cypress

Rob Johnson, Mayor

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May 5, 2020

Re:

To Whom It May Concern:

Oxford Academy
5172 Orange Avenue
Cypress, CA 90630
Tel 714 220 3055
Fax 714 527 7128
oxford.auhsd.us

is one of the brightest students I have taught in my 18 years as a teacher. I have the honor and privilege to work with throughout academic career at Oxford Academy. was a 9th-grade student in my Honors Biology class and was in my AP Environmental Science class as an 11<sup>th</sup>-grader. This year, as a 12<sup>th</sup>-grader, was a member of the Oxford Academy Forestry Challenge team, for which I advised. I have come to know as a dedicated, inquisitive, responsible, and hardworking individual with integrity.

has been a very successful student at Oxford Academy. As such, had successfully enrolled in and completed mostly honors level courses, while maintaining a cumulative GPA of 4.0+, at a National Blue Ribbon and California Distinguished School. is an AP Scholar with Distinction. As a student in Honors Biology and AP Environmental Science, consistently performed at the top of class. was inquisitive and asked probing questions during and after class to deepen knowledge. was a responsible student, who always turned in assignments on time with exceptional quality. also demonstrated leadership and interpersonal skills when collaborating with classmates on laboratory exercises and group activities. It was not uncommon to see helping group mates with their work.

passion for science and service is evident in extracurricular activities. was a volunteer for several environmental focused groups, including at the Aquarium of the Pacific for several years, where gave short talks about the environment and marine biology to visitors. This year was a member of the school's Forestry Challenge team, which placed third among 29 teams, and was invited to compete in the Forestry Challenge Championships that was scheduled to take place in April. Throughout the three-day competition, collaborated with team to collect field data at a proposed Cal Fire demonstration forest site and presented their findings and forest management recommendations to Cal Fire. has also served on the Youth Action Committee of Cypress and La Palma, where helps in the planning, organizing, and supervising of youth recreational events for the two cities.

In the time that I have known has demonstrated that she is an extraordinary student, who is dedicated, responsible, and hardworking. I think that is an amazing student and person and therefore enthusiastically and whole-heartedly recommend to be considered as a candidate in your program.

Sincerely,

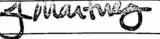
Robert Nguyen Science Educator

**Anaheim Union High School** Birthdate Gender Student ID Grade Student Name **District** 12 February 4, 2020 Parent/quardian name, address, telephone Oxford Academy 5172 Orange Ave. Cypress, CA 90630 (714) 220-3055 | Fax (714) 527-712 Course Title Mark Att/Cr Crs-ID Course Title Mark Att/Cmp Crs-ID Mark Att/Cmp Course Title Crs-ID Credit Att: 40.00 Cmp: 40.00 TGPA: 4.50 Grade 10 Fall 2017-2018 Grade 8 Fall 2015-2016 Grade 11 Spring 2018-2019 Oxford Academy Oxford Academy Oxford Academy 5.00 Account Prin P 5.00 0851 5.00 5.00 p Spanish 1 P A+ 2165T p 5.00 Virtual Enterpr A+ 5.00 5.00 0885 English 2 HP p 1525 5.00 5.00 3726T Ap Math 3-4 (HP) p 5.00 5.00 AP Eng Lang Corr A+ 5.00 1553 Yearbook Design D Credit Att: 10.00 Cmp: 10.00 TGPA: 4.00 1672 5.00 5 Yearbook Design A-5.00 5.00 1672 р Spanish 3 P p 2175 Grade 8 Spring 2015-2016 5 5.00 AP Span Lang/Cu A 5.00 2190 5.00 2850 AP Europ Hist p Oxford Academy 5.00 5. AP US Hist 5.00 5.00 2660 PreCalculus P Ap 3795 5.00 5.00 2165T Spanish 1 P 5.00 5. A 5.00 3800 AP Calc AB 5.00 + p 4320 Show Choir P A+ p Math 3-4 (HP) A-5.00 5.00 3726T 5.0 5.00 Concert Choir P 4310 5.00 5045 PE-2 5.00 p Credit Att: 10.00 Cmp: 10.00 TGPA: 4.00 5.00 5.0 AP Envrmnt Sci 5450 Chemistry HP 5.00 5.00 5320 Grade 9 Fall 2016-2017 Credit Att: 40.00 Cmp: 40.00 TGPA: 4.63 Credit Att: 45.00 Cmp: 45.00 TGPA: 4.22 Oxford Academy Grade 12 Fall 2019-2020 Grade 10 Spring 2017-2018 Bus/Marketing P 5.00 5.00 0580 Oxford Academy Oxford Academy 0706 Business Sys&Te A 5.00 5.00 5.00 5. 5.00 1555 AP Eng Lit 5.00 0851 Account Prin P p 5.00 1510 English 1 HP 5.00 5.00 5. 5.00 1672 Yearbook Design 5.00 English 2 HP D 1525 D 5.00 1670 Yearbook A-5.00 5.00 5. 5.00 2700 AP AmGvt & Pol 5.00 Yearbook Design + p 1672 p Spanish 2 P 5.00 5.00 2170 5.00 5. 5.00 2821 AP Psychology 5.00 Spanish 3 P + p 2175 р Math 4-5 HP 5.00 5.00 3756 5. 5.00 5.00 3870 **AP Statistics** В 5.00 AP Europ Hist + p 2850 5.00 p Choir Ens P 5.00 4330 5.00 5. 5.00 AP Chemistry B-5.00 5330 PreCalculus P 3795 5.00 p PE-1 5.00 5040 Credit Att: 30.00 Cmp: 30.00 TGPA: 4.50 5.00 5 00 Show Choir P 4320 5.00 5.00 Biology HP 5290 5.00 5.00 PE-2 5045 Credit Att: 45.00 Cmp: 45.00 TGPA: 4.00 Chemistry HP 5.00 5.00 5320 Grade 9 Spring 2016-2017 Credit Att: 45.00 Cmp: 45.00 TGPA: 4.22 Oxford Academy Grade 11 Fall 2018-2019 5.00 5.00 Bus/Marketing P 0580 p Oxford Academy English 1 HP 5.00 5.00 1510 5.00 5.00 0885 Virtual Enterpr 5.00 p 5.00 Yearbook 1670 5.00 AP Eng Lang Corr A+ 5.00 1553 5.00 D 5.00 Spanish 2 P A-2170 5.00 Yearbook Design A 5.00 1672 5.00 p 5.00 A+ Health Sci 1 2310 5.00 5.00 AP Span Lang/Cu A 2190 5.00 p Math 4-5 HP 5.00 3756 5.00 5.00 2660 AP US Hist р 5.00 5.00 Choir Ens P 4330 5.00 5.00 AP Calc AB B-3800 p 5.00 5.00 PE-1 5040 Concert Choir P A+ 5.00 5.00 OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT 4310 p 5.00 Biology HP A+ 5.00 5290 5.00 5450 AP Envrmnt Sci 5.00 p Credit Att: 45.00 Cmp: 45.00 TGPA: 3.89 p = College Prep r = Repeated + = Honors (weighted) \* = Non Academic Course Tags: Hours Weighted Non-Wgtd Event Digital Literacy- Req Met 3.93 4.26 Acad GPA (9-12) 02/20 Service Learning- Req Met 156.75 3.92 Acad GPA (10-12) 4.42 4.24 3.94 Total GPA (9-12) 310.00 Credit Attempted: Credit Completed: 310.00 CAHSEE District Enter: 8/25/2014 **ELA: Not Taken** School Enter: 8/25/2014 Immunization Data Math: Not Taken Records Presented: Other DTP: 01/02, 03/02, 06/02, 07/03, 02/08, 11/12 Class of 2020 HIB: 01/02, 03/02, 06/02, 07/03 HEP/B: 11/01, 12/01, 10/02 MMR: 11/02, 02/03 Polio: 01/02, 03/02, 06/02, 07/03 VARIC: 12/02 State ID# no CAIR record 04/26/16

Counselor

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Signature:



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# 2020 SCAG Scholarship Program - OC-318

# **Personal Information**

**Full Name** 

All items marked with \* are required.

**Address** 

**United States** 

**County** Orange

**Phone Number** 

E-mail

Internship Availability

July 2020

August 2020

# **Educational Information**

Current Educational Status High School Senior

**Date of Graduation** Sunday, May 31, 2020

Name of Educational Institution Saint Joseph High School

**Location of Educational Institution**Lakewood, California
United States

Grade Point Average (GPA) Type

Weighted

Grade Point Average (GPA) 4.8

Intended Major Political Science

# **Activities & Interests**

A) List and Briefly Describe Your Extracurricular Activities (e.g., Memberships in Groups, Sports, etc.):

Organization	Position Held	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
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Organization	Position Held	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
Care for Survivors Club	Vice Presiden t	03/2018 - Present
Associative Student Body - Saint Joseph High School	Presiden t	08/2018 - Present
Southern Eastern Youth Organization - Basketball	Captain	08/2006 - Present
Saint Joseph High Varsity Basketball	Captain	07/2016 - 03/2020
Environmental Club - Saint Joseph High School	Board Member	03/2018 - Present
National Honors Society	Board Member	11/2018 - Present
California Scholarship Federation	Member	08/2017 - Present
Math Honors Society	Member	09/2018 - Present
Mock Trial	Member	09/2018 - 05/2019

# **Description of Responsibilities:**

My volunteer activities have always been re. ective of not only my values, but what I want to pursue in my future endeavors. Each organization I have been involved with dealt with issues that I am interested in reforming, addressing, or expanding awareness for. My personality was the driving factor in volunteering in these specific organizations. I needed to be around people, not only to help, but to learn from them. The main way I gained my knowledge on how to revolutionize societal issues was by seeing who it affected. Hearing the voices that are often unheard. Seeing the problems that society leaders choose to overlook. Feeling the pain and loss that people want to stray from feeling. Dedicating my time toward these organizations was more than just an experience to help, but created incentive and greater drive in me to pave my path for the future. By fundraising, attending marches, facilitating conferences, teaching seminars, coordinating drives, and many more, I continue to take steps in to finding bigger ways to create an effective change.

# B) List and Briefly Describe Volunteer **Activities in Which You Have Been** Involved:

Organization	Activity	MM/YYYY to
Su Casa Youth Shelter	Volunteer / Representative	03/2018 - Present
Shelter Long Beach	Youth Facilitator / Volunteer	09/2019 - Present
St. Irenaeus Parish Church	Youth Leader / Lector	09/2017 - Present
Not Your Average Basketball Camp	Coach for Special Needs	09/2019 - Present
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Organization	Activity	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
Habitat for Humanity	Volunteer / ReStore Organizer	09/2017 - 02/2018
Alzheimer's Orange County	Volunteer	08/2017 - 12/2017
Giving Children Hope	Food Distributer / Organizer	09/2015 - 12/2017

# **Brief Description of Your Participation:**

Throughout all of my involvements, the common factor in all of them is the role of leadership. In addition, I led clubs and teams that were based off what I was passionate about, not necessarily just to "have a title", but more so to make sure my voice and the voice of others were heard. For example, I cofounded the club "Care for Survivors Club" at my school and made it the largest, most active club on campus. The club was founded to give aid and support to victims of domestic abuse and sex trafficking, while at the same time, spreading awareness about these prevalent dangers to at my school. For everything I was involved in, I wanted to ensure that the cause of my participation was something that reflected my values and was a cause I was willing to dedicate my full self toward. My involvements were reflective of how I continuously seek knowledge through experience on how to better further myself as a leader in order to become open-minded, inclusive, and reliable for the benefit of my community.

C) List Honors or Academic Awards You Have Received (e.g., Scholarly Activities, Research, etc.):

Organization	Award / Honor	MM/YYYY
California Interscholastic Federation	Dr. Jim Staunton's Champion of Character	09/2019
Lakewood Hall of Fame	2019 Scholar Athlete of the Year	02/2020
	Youth Citizenship Award	04/2018
Saint Joseph High School	Top 25 Award	09/2017 - Present
Saint Joseph High School	Ambassador of the Year Award	05/2018
California Interscholastic Federation	Varsity Basketball - 2nd Team All League	02/2020
Saint Joseph High Varsity Basketball	Most Inspirational	02/2020

To the best of my knowledge, the contents of my application are accurate and I am authorized to work in the United States.†

Agree

Class of 2020

SCAG Scholarship

As kids we have these preconceived notions of what we can and cannot do. Constantly being surrounded by societal norms of " are supposed to be like this...; need to do this...." made me diverge from what society wanted me to do. This divergence connected me to understanding my greater identity: being the to spread coexistence.

Through experience. It has become not only a decency, but a duty, for me to embody a who steps up with initiative toward action. Growing up in a Catholic community, the words "thoughts and prayers" were constant. However, those words were never truly fulfilling toward me. I grew up first-hand witnessing people of different religions, races, ethnicities, and genders being neglected by society. I grew up seeing the fear, hearing the cries, feeling the loss of those who felt like no one else knew they existed. Thoughts and prayers were nonviable in my mind. A path has always been paved for me to use my own voice, take a stand, and create effective action for those who have been waiting too long.

My call to leadership brought light to an interest in Political Science. Seeking direction to shape change, Political Science opened my eyes to identify what I want to accomplish. I have been set on addressing the injustices of dehumanization and focused on eliminating marginalizing extinctions. I was guided into topics that I became very passionate about reforming, including: the foster care system, sex-trafficking, education in low income communities, etc. Volunteering and advocating against social injustice has brought me great lessons and exposure toward areas that need support. Learning from others and their experiences is equally as essential as giving them support. However, I aim to expand my involvements into an effect that can be experienced globally and can be inclusive to all peoples, protecting their human rights. By majoring in Political Science with an emphasis in International Relations, my future is to consist of working to obtain a state of global well-being. My focus is emphasized toward the regressive countries, outside of the U.S., where people's rights are consequently stripped away. I find it a personal duty to not only lead in my country, but for the country, and give aid toward those who need a leader to help obtain their freedom.

To become successful in my field, I continue to work on becoming open-minded, even toward those who disagree with me. My goal is to obtain coexistence, and in order to do that, education is essential. I work toward becoming educated about addressing systematic inequality and influencing legislation that will prove to be beneficial to all underrepresented groups. Each day I find myself becoming more motivated toward self-improvement so I can continuously grow more resilient against suffering, learn to embrace pain, and use these experiences toward enhancing a greater sense of worth for myself and for others around me.



Mr. Sergio G. Esparza Saint Joseph High School 5825 N Woodruff Avenue Lakewood, CA 90713

5 May 2020

Southern California Association of Governments Attn: 2020 SCAG Scholarship Program 550 South Main Street, Suite 741 Orange, CA 92868

Dear Admissions Committee,

I am delighted to recommend

to receive the SCAG scholarship.

In all four years at Saint Joseph High School, has maintained a proficient academic record. contributions to the class were so profound that classmates often used ideas to help them generate other points of discussion. An exemplary student, excels in critical work, while also demonstrating an appreciation for public policy and political science. style, though candid, displays exhibits further the depth of analytical capabilities. In addition to academic success, leadership qualities, innovativeness, and charisma in extracurricular activities. I've had the pleasure of in campus life. From the first day of leading a ASB events, mentoring impressed me with ability to articulate the difficult challenges encounter with their social identity. demonstrated tremendous effort and growth throughout the year and brought a great energy to campus life. has that combination of a positive attitude and the belief that can always improve. That is a rare characteristic in a high school students, but so essential to the leadership process. I am confident that will continue to display the same commitment and diligence in everything

would describe herself as a zealous person. told me on several occasions that all the service for others is meant to bring the light of Christ into their life. does, in fact, cares tremendously for the common good of care about the community. greatest weakness is that well being of other before own. always found a positive response to any struggle. When asked about her ethos would refers to Aristotle "be a free thinker and don't accept everything you hear as truth. Be critical and evaluate what you believe in." Where so many others have given up, took on the school identity as own and embraced the charisms of Love, Hope, and Zeal as truth. As whole person, because sought to develop knows the importance in loving oneself will empower other to serve with compassion. truly demonstrated a growth mindset, and peers to adopt that valuable perspective, too. helped contribute to our school environment as someone all students see as model for hope in serving the dear neighbor without distinction. As a campus minister, it is incredibly fulfilling to witness a student make this kind of intellectual and personal growth; in becoming the best version of herself.

is an extraordinary : is critical and creative; is loyal to family but is willing to step outside the comforts of the familiar. has a canny intelligence and personal generosity that make an excellent candidate to receive the SCAG scholarship. has my enthusiastic and unreserved recommendation.

Sincerely,

Mr. Sergio G. Esparza Director of Campus Ministry Department Chair of Religious Studies

Tel: 562.925.5073 ext. 129 Email: sesparza@sj-jester.org



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May 2020

To the Scholarship Committee,

It is with great pleasure that I am writing this letter of recommendation for . I have known for the past three years and since day one stood out as an excellent student and remarkable in my Honors Algebra II class, in which was one of my top . I first met students. is the type of student that classmates can easily turn to for guidance is kind, helpful, and works well individually and with others. Since then I have interacted with through athletics when I was the Athletic Director and now as college counselor; has always exhibited the characteristics of a student that can perform at the highest caliber.

understands the importance of a quality education and is always conscientious of the kind of student is being. I have seen grow in confidence over the past three years as is constantly striving to be at the top of class (in fact, is!). This shows through in efforts to seek help when doesn't understand, and willingness to assist others when can. said teaching others is how comes to a better understanding of the concepts is always seeking to better not only as a student, but as an individual as well.

is well liked by peers as well as the Faculty & Staff at Saint Joseph. knows the value of hard work, perseverance, and dedication. I recommend with full confidence in abilities to perform at the highest level.

Please contact me if you have any further questions. Thank you.

Mr. Joey Albert

Academic & College Counselor

Mathematics Teacher (562) 925 - 5073 x 109 jalbert@sj-jester.org

ID: Grade: 12 Class of 2020 DOB:



# SAINT JOSEPH HIGH SCHOOL

# OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT

MAY 4, 2020

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# 2020 SCAG SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

# APPLICATION FORM

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\*\*Students may be asked to submit proof of eligibility to work in the United States if selected as a semi-finalist.



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# APPLICATION FORM

EDUCATIONAL INFORMAT	ION:		
Current Education Status (Check	One):		1
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High School Junior Hi	gh School Senior C	ommunity College	
If community college student, list			
High School: Valencia High	School		
City/State: Placentia CF	ł		
Date of Graduation: 2021	June Gr	ade Point Average (Unweighed):	3.73
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ACTIVITIES & INTERESTS	8		
A.) List and briefly describe your e	extracurricular activities (e	g. memberships in organizations, s	ports, etc.):
Organization Involved	Position Held	Date of Involvement:	
RAISE Humane Foundation	CEO, Founder	April 2019 - pies	ent
Valencia High School	Varsity tennis	Aug 2017 - pre.	ent
Music Teacher Association of Caltonia	piano advanced 1	evel Sept 2008 - Mari	in 2019
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B.) List and briefly describe volunteer activities in which you have been involved

Organization Involved	Activity	Date of Involvement:
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Yorka Linda Public Library	1 0	May 2019 - Avg 2019
Placentia Teen Advisory Council	Teen comal for Placenti	Aug 2017 - May 2019
Yorka Linda Public Library	voluneer for youth actuary & events	May 2016 - Avg 2019
Placentia Profice Lebron	volunker for Summer verding praymo	June 2017 - Arg. 2017

Brief description of how you participated (attach additional page(s) if necessary):

crops of love - raise money through creating work of art for art exhibitions to help School in Malawi Africe

16th volunter Internishin program - led and delegated work to volunteers and asso trained them PTAC TEEN comment to Placertin - made essential decisions & hosted events in correspondence with flaumia Lib YLPL volunter- forth activities and events, planning events, coordination volunters
placenta public Library - worked with after volunters to aid with Summer Reading program
C.) List honors or academic awards you have received (e.g., scholarly activities, research, etc.):

Award/Honor	Institution/Organization	Date
Presidenz Velunteer Sena Award Go	old Points of Light	2018, 2019
	O Honora Music Teachers Association of	Calfornia March 2019
Certificate of Recognition in Am	CA Legislature, U.S. congress	CA Senate 2017, 2018, 2019
Distinguished Scholar Award Outstandin	g Akademie Achievement Valencia Hig	h School 2017, 2018, 2019
National Honer Society	Valencia High School	May 2020 - present

# D.) List and briefly describe any work experience:

Position	Employer	Dates of Employment
Congressional Campaign Intern	Peggy Hving For Congress	Nov 2019 - March 2020
Congressional Campaign Intern	Young Kim for Congress	March 2020 - present
Congressional Campaign Intern	Michelle Steel for Congress	April 2020 - present
Youth Ambassador Inkm	Global Hope 365	Marh 2000 - present
Associate Producer	"On the Bright Side Podeast	April 2020 - present

Brief description of your work responsibilities (attach additional page(s) if necessary):

Peggy Huaz for congress - precinct walking and volunteering

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Associate Producer - reaching out to guests, schedulin recordin times, content reacher,

Packet Pg. 162

## SCAG SCHOLARSHIP ESSAY

Hello, my name is 1.1 am currently a junior at Valencia High School, located in Placentia. In the initial attempt of trying to describe my interest for public policy, public service, and planning- I find myself falling short in the search of words. Simply calling it my 'passion' would be a substantial understatement to what it really means to me. I got my first taste of service, leading a team, and working in the community after I was invited to become the Vice President of a club that worked with Alzheimers and Dementia patients in the beginning of my sophomore year. Fast forward a year later into my junior year, I have served in three presidencies and three vice presidencies in clubs at my school, and my most notable achievement: launching my own 501(c)3 non profit organization. I struggled a lot through the beginning of my sophomore year trying to figure out what I want to do, what I want to become, who I'm trying to be-but there was one thing that stood clear for me: I have skill and a love for organizing, leading, and service and I intend to use it in my future career.

I launched my non profit, the RAISE Humane Foundation, towards the end of my sophomore year as I wanted to give myself and other highschoolers an outlet to make an impact in environmental, humanitarian, and sustainability issues in the real world. I seeked out other ambitious highschoolers in Orange County and established seven RAISE chapters in highschools, across three different school districts. So far we've had the privilege of teaming up with other non profit shelters, businesses, clubs on campus, teachers, our school's administration, and even received endorsements from celebrities. We've found success hosting over 20 volunteer

events, initiating workshops, serving in adoption events, working in initiating a massive school garden project, renovation projects, social media campaigns, education presentations during meetings, and most recently: fundraised \$2500 to donate 500 KN95 masks, 350 face shields, and 400 dental masks to first responders and elderly along with 100 care packages to families in need in OC. However it was through serving the community through my clubs and organization did I also discover my interest in politics, policy, and legislation. My goal in life is to make an impact in this world, to change people's lives and this country for the better; I don't think that being a minor and still a student in highschool should limit me from that goal in any way. I believe that one of the biggest ways one can make a change for people is through politics. It was during my junior year when I first met Peggy Huang and began interning for her campaign for Congress. I was able to learn not only the functions and organization of a campaign but I learned ideology, real solutions, and I was fully exposed to what the people want to see in government when going from door to door.

Politics has become the second Bible to me. Not the drama and partisanship between

Democrats and Republicans, but the study in creating legislation and doing what we can to take
action. I want to take my experience of coordinating events, working with people, serving the
community, and my interest in legislation and politics into my future career. As of now, I am
currently interning in Young Kim's Campaign for Congress, Michelle Steel's Campaign for
Congress, and Global Hope 365 as I'm trying to gain as much experience possible working in the
political field, working with adults, and fighting for the most vulnerable. I plan to major in
political science and hopefully work somewhere in the government. Ultimately, and quite simply
put-the community, this country, is my life. I intend to do everything I can to eventually fix our

infinite amount of broken systems and end the ridiculous partisan fighting that tears the very fabric of our nation. Many call me naive, I consider myself ambitious. And it all starts with this scholarship essay.



May 6, 2020

## Southern California Association of Governments

2020 SCAG Scholarship Program Attn: Jonathon Hughes 550 South Main Street, Suite 741 Orange, CA 92868

Dear SCAG Scholarship Committee,

It is my pleasure and honor to recommend for the 2020 SCAG
Scholarship Program. I have known for over a year and know
passion to serve our community. We discussed various ways that nonprofit
can deliver services to those in need.

When I think of my experience with working with compassion and empathy come to mind immediately. really took to heart the issues I cared about—homeless foster children and the criminal elements that they faced (human trafficking, drug use, physical and sexual abuse while living on the streets). Foster children are the most vulnerable population in our community and face unique circumstances that are not currently addressed in our communities. asked a lot of questions about the issues that these children faced that were different from other kids, now wants nonprofit to focus on homelessness prevention for foster children.

Recently, I was delighted to have serve as a high school intern on my campaign team for Peggy Huang for Congress for CA-45. was always punctual when it came to events and campaign work. was very thorough and always took a leadership role when it came to working with new volunteers. always went above and beyond my expectations and exhibited such a high work ethic. also took the initiative to assess the needs of the work situation, and followed through with going above and beyond what most



interns were achieving in our program. More importantly, through public engagement, understands the need for collaboration, especially with opponents, to find solutions that serve the greater community.

I wholeheartedly recommend for the SCAG scholarship and support commitment to solve the problems in the region. If you have any questions, please contact me at (714) 875-1505.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



# Kristin Manna

Host/Producer

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### Kristin Manna

714.878,7879 onthebrightsidepodcast/@gmail.com

7 MAY 2020

# Jonathan Hughes

Southern California Association of Governments 2020 SCAG Scholarship Program 550 South Main Street, Suite 741 Orange, CA. 92868

Dear Mr. Hughes,

I have had the pleasure of knowing for my last three jobs as Deputy Campaign Manager for Peggy Huang for Congress, Director of Development for Global Hope 365 and "On the Bright Side" podcast.

has been a key intern at all three of these organizations. My first opportunity to work with was on the campaign trail. was one of our best interns on the Team Peggy Huang for Congress. We had a large number of interns over 30 and he was a standout above the rest.

is a "take charge" person who is able to successfully develop plans and implement them. operates successfully and efficiently in all work environments, especially under high stress climates. is able to take initiative and assesses areas that need attention and takes initiative while completing tasks and offering solutions.

After our candidate lost the primary, I took a position with Global Hope 365 as Director for Development. We have a Youth Ambassador Program and I knew that would be an excellent candidate. interviewed with our founder Rima Nashashibi and secured a position in our program. is so thorough and completes tasks in expedited form. is constantly amazing staff members at our nonprofit. We are blessed to have helping our nonprofit.

While working at Global Hope 365, I am also working on my podcast "On the Bright Side." I have been so thankful for all the work that is doing for my podcast. is my associate Producer. learns so quickly. has built a system for talent marketing; written excellent pitch letters; researches & reaches out to potential guests; assists in writing scripts; books recording times with the network; and participates in Network staff meetings. I couldn't speak more highly of If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to reach out to me via

Wishing you the best,

Kristin Manna

phone or email.

On the Bright Side Hostess
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# 2020 SCAG Scholarship Program - OC-324

Orange

# **Personal Information**

**Full Name** 

All items marked with \* are required.

**Address** 

County

**Phone Number** 

E-mail

Internship Availability July 2020

# **Educational Information**

Current Educational Status
High School Senior

**Date of Graduation** Thursday, June 18, 2020

Name of Educational Institution Costa Mesa High School

**Location of Educational Institution**Costa Mesa, CA
United States

Grade Point Average (GPA) Type

Unweighted

Grade Point Average (GPA) 4.0

Intended College / University University of Southern California

Intended Major Public Policy

# **Activities & Interests**

A) List and Briefly Describe Your Extracurricular Activities (e.g., Memberships in Groups, Sports, etc.):

		1.
Organization	Position Held	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
Costa Mesa High School Band	President, Vice President, Historian	08/2015 to 06/2020
National Honors Society	President	05/2018 to 06/2020
Mock Trial	President	09/2018 to 06/2020
Key Club	Vice President	09/2019 to 06/2020
Latino Culture Club	Vice President	09/2019 to 06/2020
M.E.S.A.	Treasurer	09/2018 to 03/2019

# **Description of Responsibilities:**

As Band President, I manage the other Band officers, organize social events for the members, and coordinate fundraising efforts.

As NHS President, I lead meetings and organize community service events for the club to participate in such as collecting donations for the homeless students on campus.

As Mock Trial President, I must organize the member's questions and schedules. I prepare questions for witnesses to answer.

As Key Club Vice President, I was put in charge of a committee to organize an event where we gave clothes and other essentials to low-income students.

In Latino Culture Club, we attempt to spread awareness about Latino culture on our campus. We organize several events to spread awareness, such as a Dia de los Muertos event.

In the project I participated in M.E.S.A., my team had to create a prosthetic arm using no electronic parts that could be worn by a teammate and used to stack cups in a pyramid.

# B) List and Briefly Describe Volunteer Activities in Which You Have Been Involved:

Organization	Activity	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
CMHS Drama	Deck Crew	02/2019 to 04/2019
Donald Dungan Library	Teen Advisory Group	08/2019 to 06/2020

# **Brief Description of Your Participation:**

I assisted in the production of the musical Legally Blonde. I helped construct and deconstruct set pieces, and move the pieces on stage during the performances.

TAG advises the library on what events we would like to have put on at the library. We organize and put on events for the community at large.

C) List Honors or Academic Awards You Have Received (e.g., Scholarly Activities, Research, etc.):

Organization	Award / Honor	MM/Y YYY
College Board	National Hispanic Scholar	06/20 19

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Organization	Award / Honor	MM/Y YYY
College Board	AP Scholar with Distinction	05/20 19
Newport Harbor Lions Club	Student Speakers Contest Winner	02/20 20
Costa Mesa High School	Principal's Academic Excellence Honor Roll	05/20 20
Costa Mesa High School	Les Miller Scholar	05/20 20
Exchange Club	Youth of the Year Award	03/20 20

To the best of my knowledge, the contents of my application are accurate and I am authorized to work in the United States.†

Agree

Every third Sunday from September to February I could be found on a community bike ride. These bike rides, hosted by Councilmember Arlis Reynolds, would tour the City of Costa Mesa, visiting parks, going to areas of local historical significance, and exploring new areas that are under development. These bike rides that took place in every corner of our city introduced me to urban planning and its importance in our cities.

Of special importance during these bike rides were the public spaces available in our city and transportation planning. It was a goal that throughout all the bike rides, we would have visited every city park, and we accomplished that. They provide a relaxing environment and a well-known meeting location for residents. It's important to me that residents have access to not just these parks, but other recreational facilities as well, such as outdoor pathways and community centers. Wherever we noticed areas that were underserved, we took note of that and talked about how we could improve the area and where public space could be added.

Wherever we went we could see that cars dominated over everything else. Sidewalks that were too small or that didn't exist next to lanes that were 12 feet wide or even more. Bike lanes on our major streets that were 4 feet wide including the gutter with practically no protection on the side with cars zooming by at 40 miles per hour.

After experiencing these poor conditions, I decided that I needed to get involved in making our transportation system better. I joined a group of like-minded people interested in making our streets better, the Costa Mesa Alliance for Better Streets (CMABS). We are meeting every other week, now virtually, to discuss what improvements can be made, where problem areas are, and how we can see through that these areas are fixed. I have helped plan out a "minimum grid" for bicycles so that we may have a connected bicycle system, not just one that periodically appears and disappears. CMABS has made specific plans on how certain streets can be fixed and have bike lanes be safer on these streets. We are actively involved in going to community meetings when a street is proposed to have improvements to make sure they support people who use all methods of transportation, not just the car.

To help fellow cyclists, I have been mapping out what routes are available now and also where cyclists can leave their bicycles on bike racks. I have mapped out over 250 bike racks in my city, but I will help in asking for more bike racks in areas that are underserved.

Although urban planning is a main area of focus for me, I plan to broaden my involvement next year as I major in public policy. We all can have an influence on public policy by getting involved, it is just a matter of knowing where to look. By studying and majoring in this field, I will learn what is involved in setting and enforcing public policy and how to get involved in advocating for good policies.

There are many different subjects that I would like to study in relation to the implementation of public policy. The health and well-being of all who reside in our country is an especially important issue in these critical times. We must make sure that the policies surrounding our healthcare system benefit everyone, especially those who require it most.

Perhaps the greatest issue that my generation will face is the issue of climate change. This is not solely a domestic issue centralized in one country, it is an international issue that will affect everyone. Much like the current pandemic, we must all come together to sensible solutions to our greatest threat. I want to assist by making sure that environment-friendly policies are passed and that we can mitigate the future problems that we have.

In order to set these policies, I hope to serve as an elected official one day. I've learned about what issues local leaders face by job shadowing Councilmember Arlis Reynolds for a day. From transportation to housing to legal challenges I have seen first hand what difficulties being an elected official brings. But, I have not been deterred. I am determined that I can accomplish my goal and one day fulfill my want to serve.



# Costa Mesa High School

Newport-Mesa Unified School District

Jacob Haley- Principal Erik Pannizzo – Assistant Principal

December 2019

# To whom it may concern:

I am writing this letter on behalf of . I have had the pleasure of having a student in the Costa Mesa Middle School/Costa Mesa High School band program for the past six vears. is an excellent musician, playing percussion in the advanced concert band, tenor drums in the marching band and competitive drumline and percussion for various other ensembles. Besides being a valuable musician in the program, has really stepped up as a band officer. As Band President. has really stood out as a leader, collaborating with fellow officers and band has organized, run and implemented meetings, fundraisers and various social events. members. fellow students through maturity, organization, enthusiasm and strong has the respect of work ethic. is easy to approach, eager to learn and has a good sense of humor. always exhibits a sense of professionalism when taking on a project. I appreciate and respect how commitments and always follows through.

is also extremely driven. In addition to busy band commitments, has successfully taken on a difficult academic load, been an active member and president of our school's Mock Trial, is president of National Honor Society and vice president of Key Club. has also pursued interest and passion for the fields of political science and business administration by taking community college courses in business, upper level math classes and international relations. is comfortable collaborating with adults in various situations and has shown great maturity and respect is equally comfortable addressing when coordinating with me. peers and working with the vounger members of the group. is confident, yet extremely humble and approachable. not shy away from hard work and is willing to pitch in where also volunteers at is needed. the Orange County Public Library and lead various service projects.

I particularly love how thrives on the challenges that encounters. work ethic, leadership, perseverance, ambition and desire to succeed will bode well for the future. I feel extremely lucky to have had the opportunity to have as one of my students. I am more than confident that will reach all of the goals that sets his sights for. work ethic, dedication, sense of loyalty, maturity and desire to succeed will make an asset to any organization.

Sincerely,
Sandy Gilboe
Costa Mesa High School
Director of Instrumental Music
sgilboe@nmusd.us
(714)875-6815



# Costa Mesa High School

Newport-Mesa Unified School District

Dr. Jacob Haley—H.S Principal
Dr. Eugene Kwong—M.S..Principal
Erik Pannizzo—Assistant Principal
Jeff Gall—Assistant Principal
Dr. Nina Glassen—Assistant Principal

December 11, 2019

To Whom It May Concern:

David Martinez never walked into my classroom without a smile on his face; David Martinez's essays never failed to put a smile on my face. (I had the pleasure of teaching David honors English in his ninth grade year and AP Language and Composition in his eleventh grade year.) The smile of recognizing polished, professional prose. The smile of relishing a strong argument, solidly supported (I particularly recall his anti-death penalty piece with stunning, powerful, persuasive rhetoric). The smile of sheer hilarity when reading his brilliant, spot-on satire on (ahem!) the College Board. He is at the top of my list of intellectuals I've taught in my thirty-plus years in education.

David has really made his mark on our campus, as president of three clubs and active member of many more. He is a most impressive student who can—seemingly effortlessly—balance music (he's band president), clubs, and academics (his grades are always a gorgeous row of A's) and bring his best to all endeavors. A natural leader, I chose David to be a captain of a debate club last year in AP Language. He is also unfailingly kind, generous, and helpful. Everyone loves him!

This year David is the indefatigable co-president of our school's National Honor Society (NHS) chapter, and, wow, is he remarkable! I have never had such an organized, with-it, creative NHS president. He is continually bringing ideas for service projects to our club. He spear-headed a project where we teamed with the representative for Project Hope Alliance, an organization serving the homeless in our community, to prepare and distribute thirty gift bags with school supplies and personal items to homeless students attending our school. He is now hard at work organizing our library card initiative for January: we hope to get a library card for the county library system in the hands of literally every Costa Mesa High School student. David also operates the app we use for communication within our NHS club.

Without a doubt, you want David Martinez as a student on your campus. I guarantee he'll put a smile on your face.

Sincerely,

Michelle Lindfors

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2650 Fairview Road Costa Mesa, CA 92626 Phone: (714) 424-8700 Fax: (714) 424-8770

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# Attachment: Orange County Applications: 304, 313, 317, 318, 323, 324, 326, 332 (2020 SCAG Scholarship Program)

# 2020 SCAG Scholarship Program - OC-326

# **Personal Information**

**Full Name** 

All items marked with \* are required.

**Address** 

County Orange

**Phone Number** 

E-mail

Internship Availability July 2020 August 2020

# **Educational Information**

Current Educational Status
High School Senior

**Date of Graduation** Wednesday, June 10, 2020

Name of Educational Institution Westminster High School

**Location of Educational Institution** Westminster, California

Grade Point Average (GPA) Type

Unweighted

**Grade Point Average (GPA)** 3.89

Intended College / University University of California, Los Angeles

Intended Major Human Biology and Society with a minor in Public Policy

# **Activities & Interests**

A) List and Briefly Describe Your Extracurricular Activities (e.g., Memberships in Groups, Sports, etc.):

ı	Position Held	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY

Position Held	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY		
Captain and Co- choreographer	02/2014- 05/2020		
Lead Investigator	08/2017- 05/2020		
Co-Founder and President	03/2018- 05/2020		
Co-Founder and President	08/2018- 05/2020		
Outreach Coordinator	08/2016- 05/2020		
Mentor and Fundraising Chair	08/2017- 05/2020		
ESL Program Coordinator	08/2018- 05/2020		
Member	08/2017- 05/2020		
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Member	09/2018- 05/2020		
	Captain and Co- choreographer  Lead Investigator  Co-Founder and President  Co-Founder and President  Outreach Coordinator  Mentor and Fundraising Chair  ESL Program Coordinator  Member  Member		

## **Description of Responsibilities:**

I have continued to grow and reinvent myself through my extracurricular activities and leadership experiences. On my traditional Vietnamese dance team, I am able to express the rich history and beauty of Vietnamese culture through the intricate art of dance. By choreographing the dance pieces and leading practices, I connected deeper with my culture and Vietnamese peers. The connection I have made through dance I express through service at school. By creating the ESL tutoring program through the peer tutoring group at school, I have had the honor of helping new Vietnamese students assimilate and adjust to school in the United States. The passion for service and helping the underserved echo through my other extracurricular activities such as ONEgeneration, Habitat for Humanity, and Paper Airplanes where I had the honor of serving the elderly, the homeless, and low-income populations in Orange County respectively. In addition to service, I love science as well. I have found a home for myself in the cramped, make-shift laboratories behind my science classrooms where I, along with my peers, investigate pressing issues in our communities and attempt to resolve the issues through science and technology. I dedicate upwards of thirty to forty hours a week for all of my extracurricular activities.

## B) List and Briefly Describe Volunteer Activities in Which You Have Been Involved:

Organization	Activity	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
Project Access	Activities Coordinator and Tutor for low-income children	08/2016- 05/2020

Organization Activity		MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
Junior Ambassadors	Donation Drives	08/2017- 04/2020
Peer Tutoring	Tutor for ESL students	08/2018- 05/2020
ONEgeneration	Volunteering at senior centers/nursing homes	08/2018- 04/2020
Paper Airplanes	Care Packages for Refugees	08/2019- 04/2020
Orange Coast Memorial Center	Hospital Volunteer and Medical Interpreter	02/2018- 10/2019
PERIOD Movement	Policy Drafting and Menstrual Kits Drive	08/2019- 05/2020

## **Brief Description of Your Participation:**

My volunteering activities re. ect my passions for healthcare, education, and serving the underprivileged. At Project Access, I had the pleasure of tutoring and planning events for low-income children who do not have the funds and access to afterschool programs. I have planned science experiments, arts and crafts sessions, and mock career fairs for the children to explore their different interests. In addition, I have led a variety of donation drives for the homeless, low-income, and single mothers, low-income children, and women shelters. The donation drives reflect a collective effort of people who are dedicated to a cause. To get donations, my peers and I have placed donation boxes in restaurants, made announcements on local news stations, and made announcements at our schools. The donation drives have benefitted thousands of people in underserved communities in the past few years. I live in a community where there is a large Vietnamese population. Thus, I have used my Vietnamese to serve as a translator in a hospital to ensure there is no miscommunication between doctors and patients. I have also tutored Vietnamese students who are designated as English learners at my school. Over the past few years, I have accumulated over 3,000 hours of community service, but I believe the greater significance is placed on the impact my service has made on my community. I hope to continue serving my community in years to come, despite where I may go next.

C) List Honors or Academic Awards You Have Received (e.g., Scholarly Activities, Research, etc.):

Organization	Award / Honor	MM /YY YY
Coca Cola Foundation	Coca Cola Scholar	03/ 202 0
Questbridge	Questbridge National College Match Finalist	10/ 201 9
Samsung	Samsung Solve for Tomorrow State Winner and National Qualifier	01/ 202 0

Organization	Award / Honor	MM /YY YY
Project Paradigm	Project Paradigm International Finalist	06/ 201 9
Westminster High School	Department Award in Biology	05/ 201 8
Westminster High School	STEM Extraordinaire	12/ 201 9
Westminster High School	Summa Cum Laude	02/ 202 0
University of California, Los Angeles	Nanovation Competition Finalist	05/ 201 9
International Brain Bee	Orange County Brain Bee Top 10	03/ 201 9
California State Senate	Community Service Distinction Award	05/ 201 8

## D) List and Briefly Describe Any Work **Experience:**

Organization	Position Held	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY		
Self-Employed	Piano Teacher	01/2017-03/2020		

## **Brief Description of Your Work Responsibilities:**

For the past few years, I have worked as a private piano teacher. I often work with children who range in beginner to intermediate in their skill levels. I advertise my service on different social media outlets such as Instagram and Facebook and often take approximately five to seven clients at a time. My lessons with each student last about an hour to two hours. During the lessons, I ask my students to play me the pieces they have worked on and help them with their technique, memorization, and music theory. I also assign pieces for them to work on and worksheets for them to practice music theory. Outside of my lessons, I also spend time planning. I always learn the pieces before I give them to my students and I also work on scheduling appointments. In a week, I work about eight to ten hours on average.

To the best of my knowledge, the contents of my application are accurate and I am authorized to work in the United States.†

Agree

## SCAG Program Essay: The Future of Healthcare

In my small, rural village in Vietnam, hospitals are often scarce and overcrowded. I distinctly remember my family driving over twenty miles before encountering the first medical facility in our vicinity. Due to the overcrowding of hospitals, medical care became a game of connections, wealth, and luck. I was disheartened by the sights of patients being denied fundamental medical care due to their social status and angry at the healthcare system for incorporating classist ideas into medicine. Heartbroken by the conditions I witnessed, I fostered a dream to become a physician and improve medical care access in impoverished and rural areas.

Upon arriving to the United States, I realized that inequitable health care access exists globally. Millions are being denied the fundamental right of healthcare due to the inability to afford insurance and disproportionate access to medical facilities due to location. Many diseases, such as tuberculosis, are more prevalent in specific minority groups in different geographic locations such as Asian Americans in low-income areas. I want to further investigate the consequences of inequitable healthcare access. In college, I hope to conduct research and search for meaning behind the statistical data of the most prevalent diseases in areas of low socioeconomic status. After my analysis of our current healthcare system that marginalizes impoverished areas, I want to use my research to spark legislative change. I envision a nation where healthcare is a fundamental right and not a privilege. I envisage a future where healthcare is readily accessible despite income, race, religion, and ethnicity. I dream of working on policies regarding appropriate staffing in free clinics, building more hospitals in rural and impoverished

areas, and reducing the prevalence of diseases in certain minority groups and geographic locations.

In the fall, I will be attending the University of California, Los Angeles. In addition to conducting research, I hope to continue working with current, youth-directed campaigns to provide equal access to healthcare, one sector at a time. For example, I currently work with the PERIOD movement to end the stigma behind menstruation and provide all women with access to menstruation products. I also intend on taking advantage of UCLA's proximity to the underserved populations of Los Angeles to volunteer at humanitarian organizations and free clinics. I also hope to advocate for my beliefs of equitable healthcare access with like-minded individuals and encourage local and state legislators to echo our beliefs.

I hope to pursue an MD/MPH program to become a physician while staying involved with the politics behind healthcare that will adversely affect my future patients and the community. As a physician, I want to use my prior research and experience to contextualize healthcare and create the most comprehensive treatment plan for my patients. I intend on working at both a free clinic and a private hospital to help as many people as possible in a vulnerable period of their lives. As an established physician, I will continue to work with local governments to ensure inequitable healthcare access will not affect future generations.



May 8, 2020

### **Dear Selection Committee:**

I write to highly recommend for the SCAG Scholarship Program. I know as School Counselor. will be a first-generation college student. is a well-rounded student with high academic achievements and deep involvement in her school and community. faces many challenges at home since father has a gambling addiction and is mostly not around. family situation has taught to adopt many responsibilities including cooking and cleaning to help support the household.

is highly involved in extracurricular and community service activities both in and out of school. At is a peer tutor and twice a week, helps tutor Vietnamese English learners in all subjects school. areas. In addition, is involved with school clubs such as Paper Airplanes and MERITS. on leadership roles such as the current President for Paper Airplanes, a club that helps the underserved in Orange County by cooking and serving food, as well as working with local governments to help with medical care and transportation for the homeless. Although has many things on always finds time to give back to community. In the past four years, has volunteered over 500 hours with Project Access. tutors low-income children ages 3-12 and hosts science experiments for them every Monday. also managed to volunteer at the local hospital for the past two years and has logged over 150 hours.

is taking the most rigorous classes that our school offers. For example, all six of classes this year are Advanced Placement (AP) classes. As the number two ranked student in class of over 700 students, has proven that has the ability to succeed and thrive at a top college.

Despite impacted academic schedule and family responsibilities, works as a piano teacher for the past 2 years. works to support family and to lessen the financial burden on mom. plans to continue to work in college to help support family. In addition, needs to rely heavily on additional support from scholarships. is a role model amongst peers.

I welcome any inquiries for additional information to support application. I can be reached at thuytran@hbuhsd.edu or at (714) 893-1381 ext. 4471.

Sincerely,

Thuy Tran Westminster High School School Counselor



Junior Ambassadors Program The Mind Ready Foundation
<a href="www.juniorambassadors.org">www.juniorambassadors.org</a>
<a href="mailto:thejuniorambassadors@gmail.com">thejuniorambassadors@gmail.com</a>
<a href="mailto:thejuniorambassadors@gmail.com">(714) 606-1644</a>

May 8th, 2020

To whom it may concern:

It is with pleasure that I offer my personal recommendation of for the SCAG Scholarship Program. I have had the opportunity to work and get to know academically and as a young leader in community since August 2017 when enrolled in our Junior Ambassadors Leadership Program and returned for two additional years to mentor current students.

The Junior Ambassador Program is a rigorous government and community service program, designed to create powerful leaders in our community through civic, community engagement, and peer mentorship. Currently, the program has students from Huntington Beach Union High School District, Garden Grove Unified School District, and Santa Ana Unified School District.

During time in the program, has assisted fellow Junior Ambassadors by performing routine calls to remind them about upcoming events, attended meetings, leading numerous donation drives and fundraisers and well as logging in countless community service hours; among other tasks important to class of Junior Ambassadors depending on the service projects they decide are important for their community.

has also worked on multiple campaigns and performed tasks such as cold calling local community members in both English and Vietnamese to encourage them to vote in the upcoming elections.

academic record, work ethic, and commitment to excellence demonstrated that has all the attributes necessary to excel in any demanding environment and is worthy of being a participant of the SCAG Scholarship Program. I am more than honored to recommend to be a recipient of the scholarship and internship.

Please consider this letter as you conduct your application review process. Should you have any questions, feel free to call me at (714) 606-1644.

My best regards,

Yahaira Ortiz Program Director

Junior Ambassadors Program

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## 2020 SCAG Scholarship Program - OC-332

## **Personal Information**

**Full Name** 

All items marked with \* are required.

**Address** 

County Orange

**Phone Number** 

E-mail

Internship Availability

July 2020

August 2020

September 2020

## **Educational Information**

Current Educational Status Community College

**Date of Graduation** Friday, May 21, 2021

Name of Educational Institution Golden West College

**Location of Educational Institution** Huntington Beach , CA

Grade Point Average (GPA) Type

Unweighted

Grade Point Average (GPA) 3.91

Intended College / University UC Berkeley

Intended Major Geography

## **Activities & Interests**

A) List and Briefly Describe Your Extracurricular Activities (e.g., Memberships in Groups, Sports, etc.):

Organization	Position Held	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
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Organization	Position Held	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
GLASA	Vice President	12/2018- present
Alpha Gamma Sigma	Member	01/2019- present

## **Description of Responsibilities:**

Event planner, organizer, meeting leader, outreach point person

## **Brief Description of Your Participation:**

Go in to the animal shelter to clean out the cat rooms and socialize the cats

C) List Honors or Academic Awards You Have Received (e.g., Scholarly Activities, Research, etc.):

Organization	Award / Honor	MM/YYYY		
Free masons	Freemasons award	05/2014		
HBUSD	Golden shield	05/2018		
HBUSD	Silver shield	05/2018		

D) List and Briefly Describe Any Work Experience:

Organization	Position Held	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
Gustafson brothers	Mechanic	02/2017-08/2019
Eurocar	Mechanic and porter	08/2019- present

To the best of my knowledge, the contents of my application are accurate and I am authorized to work in the United States.†

Agree

My grandfather was one of the founding members of Westminster, CA, serving his community in any way he could. He was a part of the first Mexican baseball league in Westminster, on the jury during the Mendez v. Board of Education civil rights case and an active community leader. My family still lives on the historic Olive Street where the very roots of Westminster started, in the house that he built with his bare hands. His honorable actions and contributions are part of what drives me to strive for a better tomorrow.

As I grew in that house, so did the neighborhood around me. I saw firsthand how for better or for worse, with time everything is built anew, and that when others are left in the dust they will never make it out on their own. The divide between the old and the new in my community has led to inconsistency and created a large divide. The new homes block and destroy the heritage that once laid there, with little to no concern for any preservation. Seeing the great divide between old and new tear holes into the fabric of this rich and lively neighborhood has been heartbreaking.

Back in high school, I was in a short program through my automotive courses that showed us different career paths. This was where I was first exposed to the idea of urban planning. It intrigued me with its all-encompassing features and the multiplicity of the work. Since then I have done my own research on the field and really dived deep to gather the best understanding I could on it. While I may not have the extensive experience some may have, I make up for it in passion and spirit.

In regards to local urban planning, one of the ways that I got involved with this effort on my college campus was serving on the Associated Student Body Sustainability Committee. Over the course of a hard-fought year, we were able to attain more refillable, much needed, water bottle refill stations. These stations helped improve the overall accessibility of filtered water for students, reduced the number of plastic waste on our campus (in association with our recycling program), and enhanced students' campus experience. This internship opportunity would get my foot in the door to learn hands on just what a true urban planner does and excel in the field later on.

This is where the beginning of my desire to be in urban planning and public policies began, but along the way, I've found ways to spread my horizons and give back to the community that raised me into the person that I am today. During my time thus far at Golden West College, I have seen a greater need for representation and active voices in the room. I began my college career as a member of the GLASA student club and quickly rose to the position of Vice President, along with being on the Associated Student Government Sustainability Committee and the honors society on campus, Alpha Gamma Sigma. As the Vice President, my members and I worked together tirelessly to create Golden West's first ever Pride Prom in 2019, an all inclusive event aimed towards the LGBT+ youth. In doing so we brought together a rather large but quiet local community for one night of careless, lighthearted fun. This year because of COVID-19 the physical event had to be cancelled but from the ashes we brought together Pride Morp, a virtual event with participants from all around America.

Previously, I majored in math in the hopes of working as a civil engineer, but I realized that my passion lied in the people and creating a world that I wanted to live in. While I don't know for sure what specific job I want in the future within my current major of Geography, I'm currently looking into working in urban planning or GIS systems in the future. However, the

only thing holding me back is a lack of opportunity. This scholarship and internship would provide me with the opportunity to make connections, work in the field of my dreams, and play a part in working for an organization that holds the same values as I do. Opportunities such as this one put me one step closer into following the footsteps of my grandfather; a pioneer in his own right, by planning the city and home that I have today. I hope to follow in his footsteps and create a society for the future. I'm so ready and eager to be the change that I want to see in the world, and I'm looking forward to hearing back from you and being a future urban planner of tomorrow.

March 2, 2020

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to recommend for all scholarships that pertain to I know her through her work with Golden West College's gay-straight alliance club, has demonstrated the capabilities of a person three times GLASA, in which age and experience. People use the word "amazed" inappropriately and too loosely, but in observing I have sat amazed and speechless at versatility. triple-threat: an A student, mechanically minded, and extremely good at communication. transcript and resume are evidence of academic and mechanical talents; my letter will represent communication genius.

I met when we both worked on "Positively Trans," a campus celebration of National Transgender Visibility Week. was the only student on a committee of administrators, faculty, and classified staff all planning for months. When spoke, it was like had been a project manager for a decade and was used to contributing to meetings. Impressed, I mentioned that I was hoping to work with GLASA in some way. The next Fall, when I received a letter from the vice-president of GLASA, who was of course I was impressed at the letter itself. Again, it was specific, persuasive and professional to a degree that I rarely see even though I am a Writing instructor.

As a co-advisor for GLASA during the past six months, I have watched work with the club president and members, and I'll try to describe what teamwork looks like. First, and the president of the club cooperate seamlessly. In a lifetime of workplace meetings, I have never seen a detailed agenda presented and annotated as quickly and completely as these club officers do it, and all through the meeting, listens carefully to all comments.

is a lightning-fast thinker too. For months now, the club has been planning and preparing for its biggest event of the year, Pride Prom—to be held in May. runs the planning meetings, simultaneously presenting the agenda and taking notes on her computer. While does this, is listening to committee members and occasionally responding to them, but does not just reply in generic terms. comments are always supported by either a point of club history (e.g. how long it took decorate last year's Pride Prom), research (e.g. the price of various cheeses from

Costco that we might serve as appetizers), psychological insight (e.g. techniques that would persuade local businesses to donate services for Pride Prom), and logical analysis of why an activity would or would not work (e.g. why it wouldn't work to hang stage lights from second-floor office windows). At all times, is clear and respectful to other people, and has seemingly boundless energy. can modulate between different tones with ease—welcoming, informative, argumentative, encouraging, analytical, and comical.

And here's the thing: is nineteen years old. is taking a full load of classes, managing enough tasks for three people as an officer of GLASA, participating in other clubs, and working twenty to thirty hours a week.

is, above all, determined. Whatever devotes mind to, is determined to make it run efficiently. I guarantee that will continue to focus will and intelligence on education. Any scholarship support wins will be well invested in Not a penny will go to waste; not a minute will be badly spent. There is no flaw here; with funding, will achieve goals, period.

If I can provide any further information to assist you in your evaluation, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Cecelia Galassi

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## GOLDEN WEST COLLEGE HUNTINGTON BEACH, (

Scholarship Program Committee Southern California Association of Governments 900 Wilshire Blvd., Ste. 1700 Los Angeles, CA 90017

May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020

Dear Committee,

It is my honor to write this letter of recommendation for in consideration of the Southern California Association of Governments scholarship program. As a staff member in Campus Life, I've worked directly with as a student leader at Golden West College since August of 2018. During this time, has served as the Vice President of the GLASA student club for three semesters, been an active member in the Alpha Gamma Sigma Honors Society, and has been a delegate for ASGWC, our student government program on campus.

Over the course of more than twelve years in student affairs, I've worked with hundreds of student leaders at a variety of higher education institutions. I can say without hesitation that maturity, leadership skills, and her positive attitude truly make stand out as a student leader.

While I often work with students who are interested in planning large, campus-wide events, many students shy away from the actual execution and follow-through necessary for these ideas to come to fruition. however, demonstrated a level of maturity and follow-through on par with professional staff members last year when helped organize GLASA's first annual Pride Prom. I served as an advisor to the committee throughout the spring semester and was impressed on a weekly basis by insights, suggestions, and ability to build consensus among peers. Overall, the event was a huge success, and had over 300 current and prospective Golden West students in attendance. This year, took an even more active role as the event chair. came prepared to every meeting with progress reports, items and questions that need a response from Campus Life, and (most importantly), a positive and supportive attitude that enables other committee members to thrive while carrying out their roles.

In the emergence of the COVID-19 public health crisis, led student planning team through difficult choices, including the cancellation of their in-person event, scheduled for Friday, May 8th. However, and the rest of the club members were passionate about still providing a chance for students to connect with their community. Over the past six weeks, under leadership, the group has worked together to tackle problems and find solutions so that they can host an online event on the same date. commitment and dedication throughout this process has been nothing short of incredible.

has also been instrumental in the revitalization of GLASA. While GLASA has been a long-standing student group on campus, under tenure as Vice President, the organization has grown in membership numbers, taken a more inclusive approach as an organization, and been much more active in terms of campus-wide programming. For example, in addition to Pride Prom, GLASA now hosts a monthly Coffee Time event, which provides both a social and educational space for students, faculty, and staff to talk about LGBTQ+ issues. Additionally, helped organize the first ever Positively Trans event last April, which helps

John Thomas Weispfenning, Ph.D., Chance



## GOLDEN WEST COLLEGE HUNTINGTON BEACH, (

celebrate the contributions of transgendered individuals in our society. Finally, under leadership, GLASA has officially changed the meaning of the club's acronym from "Gay Lesbian Alternative Straight Alliance" to the "Gender Love Acceptance Sexuality Alliance." While this change may seem small, I know it has made a world of difference to students in the LGBTQ+ community who didn't see their identities reflected in GLASA's old name.

Finally, demonstrates the type of high self-awareness, optimism, and personal integrity that are the hallmarks of positive leadership. Simply put, it is a joy to work with I have seen first-hand how well peers respond to leadership style, and it is no exaggeration to say that much of what GLASA has accomplished over the past two years is a direct result of involvement in this organization. has accomplished all the above while maintaining an extremely competitive 3.9 GPA as a full-time student, holding an off-campus job, and volunteering on a regular basis as a tutor and technical trainer for industrial arts students at her alma mater, Marina High School. epitomizes what it means to lead and serve, and work within our student clubs and organizations has had a tremendous impact on the entire campus community.

From a government and public service point of view, academic pursuits closely align with SCAG's scholarship program. started at GWC as a math major, but during undergraduate journey found true calling during geography coursework. After transferring from GWC with AA in geography, plans to pursue both a bachelor's and master's degree, with career aspirations of becoming either an urban planner or working with a tech company on their mapping with GIS systems.

On a personal note, I hold a master's degree in public administration and public policy and am an alum of the California Education Policy Fellowship program. As such, I'm well-versed with the qualities and skills needed to be an effective leader in the public sector. analytical and critical thinking skills, ability to problem solve and adapt to changing variables, commitment to serving those in her community, and natural aptitude for leadership make an excellent candidate for both the SCAG scholarship program and for a career in public service.

I have no doubt that will achieve tremendous success after GWC in continued pursuit of higher education. More importantly, I know that will translate individual academic success into a career that serves and lifts up those around just as has done here at GWC. Considering the above, receives my highest endorsement as a candidate for your scholarship program. I thank you in advance for your consideration of and would be more than happy to answer any further questions. I can be reached via telephone at (714) 892-7711, x. 55199 or via email at <a href="mailto:tgrande@gwc.cccd.edu">tgrande@gwc.cccd.edu</a>.

Sincerely,

Therese Grande, M.P.A. Student Life Specialist

Campus Life Office Golden West College

John Thomas Weispfenning, Ph.D., Chance

## Academic Transcript

Mar 02, 2020 11:45 am

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Institution Credit Transcript Totals Courses in Progress

## Transcript Data

STUDENT INFORMATION

Name:

**Birth Date:** 

**Curriculum Information** 

**Current Program** 

Associate in Arts for Transfer

**Program:** Geography **Major:** Geography

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#### **PLACEMENT RESULTS**

 GWC English:
 ENGL G100
 01/29/18

 GWC Math:
 MATH G180. Also eligible for:
 01/29/18

MATH G100, G104, G115, G120, G140, G160, G170, or PSYC 140 See a Counselor to select course according to education goal

### INSTITUTION CREDIT -Top-

Term: GWC Summer 2016

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AUTO	G101	GW	Intro To Automotive Technology	В	3.000	9.00

## Term Totals (GWC Undergraduate)

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#### Term: GWC Fall 2018

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HIST	G121	GW	History of American Women	Α	3.000	12.00
MATH	G170	GW	Precalculus	W	0.000	0.00
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Term Totals (GWC Undergraduate)

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 Cumulative:
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#### **Term: GWC Intersession/Spring 2019**

Additional Standing: Honor's List

Subjec	t Course	e Leve	el Title	Grade	Credit Hours	Quality R Points
COMM	G110	GW	Public Speaking	Α	3.000	12.00
COMM	G255	GW	Intercultural Communication	Α	3.000	12.00
HIST	G170	GW	History of U.S. to 1876	Α	3.000	12.00
MATH	G170	GW	Precalculus	Α	5.000	20.00

### **Term Totals (GWC Undergraduate)**

	Attempt Hours				Quality GP Points	Α
Current Term:	14.000	14.000	14.000	14.000	56.00	4.00
Cumulative:	31.000	26.000	26.000	26.000	101.00	3.88

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#### Term: GWC Fall 2019

**Last Academic Standing:** GWC Good Standing

Subject	Course	Leve	l Title	Grade	Credit Hours	Quality R Points	
GEOG	G180	GW	Intro Geog: Physical Geog	Α	3.000	12.00	
GEOG	G180L	GW	Physical Geography Lab	Α	1.000	4.00	
MATH	G180	GW	Calculus 1	W	0.000	0.00	
PSCI	G180	GW	American Government	Α	3.000	12.00	

## **Term Totals (GWC Undergraduate)**

	Attempt Hours				Quality GP. Points	A
Current Term:	12.000	7.000	7.000	7.000	28.00	4.00
Cumulative:	43.000	33.000	33.000	33.000	129.00	3.91

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### TRANSCRIPT TOTALS (GWC UNDERGRADUATE) -Top-

	Attempt	Passed	Earned	GPA	Quality GPA	4
	Hours	Hours	Hours	Hours	Points	
<b>Total Institution:</b>	43.000	33.000	33.000	33.000	129.00	3.91
Total Transfer:	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.00	0.00
Overall:	43.000	33.000	33.000	33.000	129.00	3.91

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### COURSES IN PROGRESS -Top-

#### Term: GWC Intersession/Spring 2020

Subject	ubject Course Level Title		Title	<b>Credit Hours</b>
ANTH	G185	GW	Physical Anthropology	3.000
ENGL	G110	GW	Critical Thinking, Literature	4.000
LRSK	G921N	NC	Suprv Tutorial Serv Att	0.000
MATH	G096	GW	Support for Intro to Statistic	2.000
MATH	G160	GW	Introduction to Statistics	4.000

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### Information provided for advisory purposes only.

#### **IGETC**

#### **IGETC Courses Completed:**

1A English Composition	ENGL	G100	201822
1C Oral Communications	COMM	G110	201832
2A Math Concepts	MATH	G170	201832
3A Arts	THEA	G102	201822
3B Humanities	HIST	G121	201822
3B Humanities	HIST	G170	201832
3B Humanities	THEA	G102	201822
4D Gender Studies	HIST	G121	201822
4F History	HIST	G121	201822
4G Interdiscipline Study	COMM	G255	201832
4H Political Science	PSCI	G180	201922
5A Physical Science	GEOG	G180	201922
5C Laboratory Activity	GEOG	G180L	201922

#### **IGETC Courses In Progress:**

2A Math Concepts MATH G180 201822

#### **CSU**

### **CSU Courses Completed:**

Oral Communications	COMM	G110	201832
Written Communications	ENGL	G100	201822
Physical Science	GEOG	G180	201922
Laboratory Activity	GEOG	G180L	201922
Math/Quant.Reasoning	MATH	G170	201832
Arts	THEA	G102	201822
Humanities	COMM	G255	201832
Humanities	HIST	G121	201822
Humanities	HIST	G170	201832
Ethnic Studies	COMM	G255	201832
Gender Studies	HIST	G121	201822
History	HIST	G121	201822
History	HIST	G170	201832
Political Science	PSCI	G180	201922

### **CSU Courses In Progress:**

B4 Math/Quant.Reasoning MATH G180 201822

### **Transcripts Received**

College

**Date Received Official** 

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# SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

**ATTACHMENT 4** 

RIVERSIDE COUNTY APPLICATIONS: 401, 403, 404, 409

## 2020 SCAG Scholarship Program - RS-401

## **Personal Information**

**Full Name** 

All items marked with \* are required.

**Address** 

**United States** 

County

**Phone Number** 

E-mail

Internship Availability

July 2020

August 2020

## **Educational Information**

Current Educational Status
High School Junior

**Date of Graduation** Tuesday, June 1, 2021

Name of Educational Institution Riverside STEM Academy

**Location of Educational Institution**Riverside, CA
United States

Grade Point Average (GPA) Type

Weighted

Grade Point Average (GPA) 4.40

Intended College / University University of California Riverside

Intended Major Environmental Engineering

## **Activities & Interests**

A) List and Briefly Describe Your Extracurricular Activities (e.g., Memberships in Groups, Sports, etc.):

Organization	Position Held	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
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Organization	Position Held	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
Riverside Karate Club	Black Belt	05/2015
Science Olympiad	Club Member	09/2015-
GSA (Gay Straight Alliance)	Vice President/Co- founder	09/2019-
CSF (California Scholarship Federation)	Club Member	01/2018-

## **Description of Responsibilities:**

As a black belt, part of my obligation to my community is to help train younger students and be a role model and leader.

I have participated in Science Olympiad competitions since 8th grade as a part of a team that consistently advances to state. (About 4-5 hours per week of studying, meeting with coaches and partners)

To ful. Il my duties as GSA Vice President, I help coordinate meetings, organize supplies for events such as Day of Silence, and communicate with members.

B) List and Briefly Describe Volunteer Activities in Which You Have Been Involved:

Organization	Activity	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
Inland Empire Waterkeeper	Volunteering	07/2017-
UCR Chemical/Environmental Engineering Lab	Lab Volunteer	01/2020-
Riverside STEM Academy	Science Fair Mentorship	01/2020-

## **Brief Description of Your Participation:**

As someone who weekly volunteers at this organization, I help carry out river water tests (for bacteria, minerals, etc.), help out at summer outreach "river camps", help maintain the animals and their environments in the office, clean equipment from school outreach (microscopes, models), grade preand post-trip quizzes to measure students' learning, and more.

Though COVID-19 led to closures and I had to temporarily halt this, I had been volunteering at a chemical/environmental engineering lab at UCR and working on developing a capstone project with the goal of creating an easily usable and affordable device for high school students to measure air quality for science experiments and to promote general scientific awareness.

I helped 6th-grade students develop their mandatory science projects and refine their experiments.

C) List Honors or Academic Awards You Have Received (e.g., Scholarly Activities, Research, etc.):

Organization	Award / Honor	MM/YY YY
Riverside STEM Academy	Outstanding Achievement for AP Bio	03/20 19

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Organization	Award / Honor	MM/YY YY
Riverside STEM Academy	Outstanding Achievement for AP Euro	03/20 19
Riverside STEM Academy	Honors Chem Student of the Month	10/20 17
ACT	Perfect Score (36)	12/20 19

## D) List and Briefly Describe Any Work Experience:

Organization	Position Held	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
Neighbors	House caretaker	07/2018-11/2019

## **Brief Description of Your Work Responsibilities:**

Until they moved, I was consistently paid to water all plants (about 20-30 minutes per day), check on and walk the dog in addition to providing food and water, and ensure that everything in the house was in order while they were on business trips and vacations.

To the best of my knowledge, the contents of my application are accurate and I am authorized to work in the United States.†

Agree

As someone who has been raised in the 21st century, climate change has been an ever-present issue in the news. Regardless of where someone is in the world, they have felt the effects of global warming in some way. Whether urban or rural, coastal or inland, our cities and towns are starting on an irreversible path if nothing is done. Because federal regulations, though effective, are subject to change with different administrations, local governments often need to take initiative and make changes. Keeping our cities clean and environmentally friendly is of major importance to me. Whether it's investing in renewable energy sources instead of fossil fuels, encouraging trash pick ups in parks and rivers, or even planting more trees, it is my firm belief that governments both local, state, and national, have the duty to maintain the world we live in.

Community outreach is what I believe to be one of the most effective ways of communication with others. At Inland Empire Waterkeeper, the summer camps and school field trips they host have been excellent ways of encouraging environmental consciousness and fostering learning. Before any field trips, the children take a quiz just to see what they know already, and another quiz is taken after the field trip. Seeing children go from scores of 3/14 to 14/14 and come out of the experience declaring that they're going to be scientists is a heartwarming experience. My mentor often tells me that she gets calls from parents with stories that their child just told them to wash their car in the grass so nothing other than rain goes down the storm drain. Older adults can be set in their ways, but reaching out to the youth of this country can help change our world little by little.

Riverside's section of the Santa Ana River is a surprisingly unused public area that truly doesn't receive the public attention it deserves. With the proper environmental control measures and regulation, it can be a great and affordable place for families to play and relax in. There is a homeless population that often stays in that area, but this is why I believe the local government has the ability to make changes in this situation.

We can often as a society get caught up with trivial issues and politics, but major issues such as global warming, and COVID-19 for example, demand attention. With natural disasters such as hurricanes, fires, and flooding being exacerbated by rising global temperatures, every inhabited area is threatened. In California especially, droughts and fires are a looming threat every year. Yes, trees and other plants are needed to help the environment of our city, but drought resistance and preparedness is another necessary consideration.

After finishing high school, I plan to attend a four year college and major in environmental engineering with a minor in public policy in order to understand how to implement the changes we need in the government. Science itself is crucial, but its communication and implementation holds just as much importance. If possible, I hope to get a job with the city or within the city to help give back to the community that raised me.

## Southern California Association of Governments Scholarship Program

I enthusiastically recommend for the Southern California Association of Governments Scholarship Program.

I have happily worked with as School Counselor for three years. I have seen this develop into an intelligent, thoughtful, and outstanding person.

The Riverside STEM Academy is a new program in the Riverside Unified School District with a fully integrated STEM pathway for grades 5 through 12. We had our first graduating class at STEM in June 2017. The program is located at a former Elementary School site and has the elementary levels of 5th and 6th grade, middle school level 7th and 8th, and high school level 9th-12th all on one location. It is the most unique school setting in our district. The secondary students that have chosen to remain into high school have chosen the more rigorous path of a high school experience. Please note that I am the only counselor and I handle all grade levels 5<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>. My caseload is 660 students.

Academically you will see from transcript that has taken the most rigorous courses at STEM, earned all "A's", and ranks number 7 in class of 46. Though a small class it is highly competitive. About 90% of the students go on to four year colleges. In the classroom is prepared, meets deadlines, participates, and all work submitted is outstanding. is academically exceptional and enjoys all courses.

December 2019 ACT score was an impressive **36**. informed me that did not sign up for test prep course that costs hundreds and possibly thousands of dollars. owed high ACT test score to old fashion self- preparation. In words..."Most important to my success was my \$25 book of official practice tests and maximizing my break and weekends. ...I reviewed the problems I missed and analyzed where I went wrong."

has participated in many school activities. gets along with everyone, a natural soft spoken leader, and excellent communicator. has a unique charisma that is soft and unassuming yet you sense confident nature. A few of activities are listed below.

## School Clubs and/or Organizations

California Scholarship Federation 9th 11th

State-wide academic honors organization which recognizes academic achievement & community service

Member

#### Science Olympiad 9th-11<sup>th</sup>

Part of team studying and preparing for three events in Ornithology, Experimental Design, & Dynamic Planet.

Member

#### <u>GSA</u>

Organized a club to provide a safe space of LGBT students at school.

Vice President

#### Comic Book Club

Treasurer

#### **Other Activities**

Karate / 2015-present

Has practiced for 5 years, 4 hours a week. Also help train the lower ranking belts and younger children. Inland Empire Water keeper / Summer 2017-present

Volunteers 1 hour a week. Some duties are testing river water for chemical concentrations, bacterial content, reports, educational activities, and maintain animals in office.

#### Chemical Engineering Lab

Volunteers 4 hours a week with a Chemical & Environmental Engineering Professor at the University of California, Riverside.

#### Watering Neighbors Plants 2017-2019

Earned a little money by watering her neighbor's plants for years until they moved.

### New York Times Crossword Puzzle & Sudoku

Inspired by her mother she finds it fulfilling and experiences that test the mind.

academics, activities, and relationships are impressive. However, has impressed me by outstanding citizenship. is always considerate, polite, adaptable, confident, and friendly. Always calm, stable, reliable, self-motivated, and capable of working in high pressure situations. values people... family, friends, teachers and staff at STEM. is a young woman that is committed in all does, honest, productive, persistent, **strong work ethic,** and has a strong love of family, friends, and community. is highly respected by peers and all who know

Biochemical Engineering or Biomedical Engineering is what is considering as a college major. knows this is a challenging major, yet is passionate about this subject matter and plans on pursing this as major. is keeping all options open because public service and planning are areas also has interest in. I know will be successful in those areas based on past academic performance, strong work ethic, and self-motivation.

is one of the most outstanding students that is has been my privilege to work with. is a scholar, a great citizen, an athlete, and the kind of friend you want in your life! has my highest recommendation for your program. is a "doer" and deserving of this incredible opportunity for the public service internship. Please contact me in you need further information.

Sincerely yours,

## Sandra Izquieta

School Counselor Riverside STEM Academy <a href="mailto:sizquieta@riversideunified.org">sizquieta@riversideunified.org</a>
951-788-7308 ext 42611

## 05 April 2020

To Whom It May Concern:

for acceptance for the SCAG It is with great pleasure that I recommend program. is an outstanding student and a phenomenal academic accomplishments show determination and ability to succeed, and currently ranks at the top of class at the Riverside STEM Academy High School. did not achieve this measure of success by merely enrolling in the basic high school courses. has challenged herself by taking honors and AP classes as well as working with University of California Professors and graduate/undergraduate students on various projects and taking college level courses at Riverside Community Courses. schedule is rigorous, and aives to learning the material in addition to earning excellent grades. is always prepared, enthusiastic, and eager to learn.

As an English student work is stellar. is an excellent writer and is adept in analysis and discussion of challenging pieces of text. In my AP Literature course, insightful responses to each piece of literature as well as creating unique and innovative creative writings and artistic pieces. writing ability enables to deftly write essays, editorials, and lab reports making extremely versatile and accomplished. interdisciplinary projects in which combines two to three of courses into one project are informative and extensively researched. At the beginning of the year, struggled with Socratic Discussions and class presentations, but instead of succumbing to defeat, met with me weekly to develop ways to overcome shyness and fear. By the middle of the year, was able to present with confidence and to share ideas during discussion with confidence. is not only a hardworking and creative student, but challenges herself to improve...

is not only an exceptional English student, but is an active member of the RSA student body. For the past three years, has been involved with Science Olympiad on a team studying ornithology, experimental design and dynamic planet. With hard work, they have placed at the district and regional levels. works well with others and loves all subject areas.

is also an active member of CSF and helps with the position of secretary, but leadership has developed with the GSA club that founded during freshman year at RSA. is currently the vice president and helps the club promote positive activities on the RSA campus and in the Riverside community. Outside of RSA, has dedicated hours to Karate and holds a black belt. practices five or more hours each day at the dojo where also teaches and trains younger students. also volunteers for the Inland Area Waterkeeper where tests river water for bacteria and helps run summer camps. Lastly, studies at a UCR engineering lab where learns from UCR professors and collects data for **RSA** capstone project. cares about the culture of STEM HS and the greater Riverside community and works tirelessly to make a positive difference.

ranks as one of the hardest working students I have had the privilege to teach. I admire intellectual curiosity and determination to learn, and dedication and work ethic. Being chosen for your program will not only help a phenomenal reach academic goals, but will be a positive contributor to your program and share experience

with school and community. I recommend highly and know will make great contributions.

Sincerely,
Catherine Murray
English Teacher/ASB Advisor Riverside STEM Academy High

#### **Transcripts**

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>	Graduation Track ( – Class of 2021 and Before			Expected Grad 6/30/2021

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## **Course History**

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2016-2017 | Riverside STEM AcademyGrade 8 | Fall

Schl	Year	Tm	Grd	Crs ID	Std Course Title	RT	CP	N/H	Mark	Atmp	Comp	Special Crs Title	More
Schl 64	Year 2016-2017	Tm 1	Grd 8	Crs ID 621821	Std Course Title Accel Math 1		CP P		Mark A+	Atmp 5.00	Comp 5.00		More

#### 2016-2017 | Riverside STEM AcademyGrade 8 | Spring

Schl	Year	Tm	Grd	Crs ID	Std Course Title	RT	CP	N/H	Mark	Atmp	Comp	Special Crs Title	More
Schl 64	Year 2016-2017	Tm 2	Grd 8		Std Course Title Accel Math 1		CP P		Mark A+	Atmp 5.00	Comp 5.00		More

### 2017–2018 | Riverside STEM AcademyGrade 9 | Fall

Schl	Year	Tm	Grd	Crs ID	Std Course Title	RT	СР	N/H	Mark	Atmp	Comp	Special Crs Title	More
Schl 64	Year 2017-2018	Tm 1	Grd 9	Crs ID 111031	Std Course Title Intro Lit/Comp Hnr		CP P		Mark A	Atmp 5.00	Comp 5.00		More
Schl 64	Year 2017-2018	Tm 1	Grd 9	Crs ID 122131	Std Course Title Accel Math 2		CP P		Mark A	Atmp 5.00	Comp 5.00		More
Schl 64	Year 2017-2018	Tm 1	Grd 9	Crs ID 142031	Std Course Title Chemistry Hnrs		CP P	N/H H	Mark A	Atmp 5.00	Comp 5.00		More
Schl 64	Year 2017-2018	Tm 1	Grd 9	Crs ID 145011	Std Course Title STEM Research		CP P		Mark A	Atmp 5.00	Comp 5.00		More
Schl 64	Year 2017-2018	Tm 1	Grd 9	Crs ID 151111	Std Course Title Spanish 1		CP P		Mark A	Atmp 5.00	Comp 5.00		More
Schl 64	Year 2017-2018	Tm 1	Grd 9	Crs ID 161111	Std Course Title Physical Ed 9			N/H N	Mark A	Atmp 5.00	Comp 5.00		More
Schl 64	Year 2017-2018	Tm 1	Grd 9	Crs ID 187111	Std Course Title Intro Eng Dsgn		CP P		Mark A-	Atmp 5.00	Comp 5.00		More

## 2017-2018 | Riverside STEM AcademyGrade 9 | Spring

Schl	Year	Tm	Grd	Crs ID	Std Course Title	RT	СР	N/H	Mark	Atmp	Comp	Special Crs Title	More
Sch 64	Year 2017-2018	Tm 2	Grd 9	Crs ID 111032	Std Course Title Intro Lit/Comp Hnr		CP P		Mark A	Atmp 5.00	Comp 5.00		More
Sch 64	Year 2017–2018	Tm 2	Grd 9	Crs ID 122132	Std Course Title Accel Math 2		CP P		Mark A+	Atmp 5.00	Comp 5.00		More
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## 2018-2019 | Riverside STEM High SchoolGrade 10 | Fall

Schl	Year	Tm	Grd	Crs ID	Std Course Title	RT	СР	N/H	Mark	Atmp	Comp	Special Crs Title	More
Schl 66	Year 2018-2019	Tm 1	Grd 10	Crs ID 112031	Std Course Title Wld Lit/Comp Hnrs		CP P		Mark A	Atmp 5.00	Comp 5.00		More
Schl 66	Year 2018-2019	Tm 1	Grd 10	Crs ID 123131	Std Course Title Accel Math 3		CP P	N/H H	Mark A	Atmp 5.00	Comp 5.00		More
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Schl 66	Year 2018-2019	Tm 1	Grd 10	Crs ID 187311	Std Course Title Prncpl Engineer		CP P		Mark A	Atmp 5.00	Comp 5.00		More

#### 2018-2019 | Riverside STEM High SchoolGrade 10 | Spring

Schl	Year	Tm	Grd	Crs ID	Std Course Title	RT	CP	N/H	Mark	Atmp	Comp	Special Crs Title	More
Schl 66	Year 2018-2019	Tm 2	Grd 10	Crs ID 112032	Std Course Title Wld Lit/Comp Hnrs		CP P		Mark A	Atmp 5.00	Comp 5.00		More
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## 2019-2020 | Arlington High Summer SchoolGrade 11 | Summer

Schl	Year	Tm	Grd	Crs ID	Std Course Title	RT	CP	N/H	Mark	Atmp	Comp	Special Crs Title	More
Schl 891	Year 2019-2020	Tm 0	Grd 11	Crs ID 174511	Std Course Title Ceramics 1/2		CP P		Mark A	Atmp 5.00	Comp 5.00		More

### 2019-2020 | Poly High Summer SchoolGrade 11 | Summer

Schl	Year	Tm	Grd	Crs ID	Std Course Title	RT	СР	N/H	Mark	Atmp	Comp	Special Crs Title	More
Schl 894	Year 2019-2020	Tm 0	Grd 11		Std Course Title Ceramics 1/2		CP P		Mark A	Atmp 5.00	Comp 5.00		More

## 2019–2020 | Riverside STEM High SchoolGrade 11 | Fall

Schl	Year	Tm	Grd	Crs ID	Std Course Title	RT	СР	N/H	Mark	Atmp	Comp	Special Crs Title	More
Schl 66	Year 2019-2020	Tm 1	Grd 11	Crs ID 114041	Std Course Title English Lit AP		CP P	N/H H/AP	Mark A	Atmp 5.00	Comp 5.00		More
Schl 66	Year 2019-2020	Tm 1	Grd 11	Crs ID 124141	Std Course Title Calculus AB AP		CP P	N/H H/AP	Mark A	Atmp 5.00	Comp 5.00		More

Schl 66	Year 2019-2020	Tm 1	Grd 11	Crs ID 133041	Std Course Title US Hst/Geo AP	CP P	N/H H/AP	Mark A	Atmp 5.00	Comp 5.00	More
Schl 66	Year 2019-2020	Tm 1	Grd 11	Crs ID 142041	Std Course Title Chemistry AP	CP P	N/H H/AP	Mark A	Atmp 5.00	Comp 5.00	More
Schl 66	Year 2019-2020	Tm 1	Grd 11	Crs ID 151331	Std Course Title Spanish 3 Hnrs	CP P	N/H H	Mark A	Atmp 5.00	Comp 5.00	More
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## 2020 SCAG Scholarship Program - RS-403

## **Personal Information**

**Full Name** 

All items marked with \* are required.

**Address** 

**County** Riverside

**Phone Number** 

E-mail

Internship Availability July 2020

## **Educational Information**

Current Educational Status
High School Senior

**Date of Graduation** Wednesday, June 3, 2020

Name of Educational Institution Temescal Canyon High School

**Location of Educational Institution**Lake Elsinore, California

Grade Point Average (GPA) Type

Unweighted

Grade Point Average (GPA) 4.0

Intended College / University Princeton University

Intended Major Politics

## **Activities & Interests**

A) List and Briefly Describe Your Extracurricular Activities (e.g., Memberships in Groups, Sports, etc.):

Organization	Position Held	MM/Y YYY to MM/Y YYY
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Organization	Position Held	MM/Y YYY to MM/Y YYY
Student Government	Secretary, Director of Internal Relations, Commissioner of Athletics, Commissioner of Activities	09/20 16 to 06/20 20
National Honors Society	President	09/20 18 to 06/20 20
HOSA Future Health Professionals	Vice President	09/20 17 to 06/20 20
California Scholarship Federation	Secretary	09/20 16 to 06/20 20
International Baccalaureate National BETA Club	Junior Class Rep, Treasurer	09/20 17 to 06/20 20
Debate Club	President	01/20 17 to 06/20 19
Link Leaders	Link Leader	09/20 18 to 06/20 20
LGBTQSA	President	01/20 20 to 06/20 20

## **Description of Responsibilities:**

Student Government:

- -ASB Secretary: Take weekly, district audited minutes which document school spending and student activities, as well as file a weekly requisitions report itemizing these expenditures. I also facilitate inter-class communications within the ASB program, ensuring all classes are well informed of weekly tasks and each other's agendas.
- -Director of Internal Relations: Facilitate class communication in the Titan Pride ASB class, as well as coordinate weekly internal relations activities.
- -Commissioner of Athletics: Coordinate athletic appreciation events for athletes of all teams during all athletic seasons.
- -Commissioner of Activities: Execute student activities year round. Facilitate all club fundraising opportunities during the academic year.

National Honors Society: Facilitate every NHS meeting, coordinate community service opportunities for club members, and oversee each member's annual NHS Community Service Project

HOSA: Facilitate HOSA meetings in the absence of the president and compete in annual HOSA events at the state conference (1st place in California in 2019 for Medical Law and Ethics and Researched Persuasive Writing and Speaking)

CSF: Take weekly CSF minutes and facilitate club community service projects

IBETA Club: Facilitate communication within the International Baccalaureate junior class regarding club events and community service opportunities. Manage IBETA Club Expenses accrued during the 2019-2020 school year

Debate: Plan and execute all weekly club activities and meetings

Link Leaders: Annually introduce a group of freshmen to TCHS and its campus culture, and maintain communication with them throughout the year through meetings and tutoring opportunities LGBTQSA: Plan and execute all weekly club activities and meetings, including an annual community service project

## B) List and Briefly Describe Volunteer Activities in Which You Have Been Involved:

Organization	Activity	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
Access Books	Organized book drive, library refurbishment	09/2016 to 11/2019
Canyon Lake Library	Tutoring and library organization	03/2017 to 05/2018
Link Leaders	Led freshman link crew	09/2018 to 06/2020
Self-run AP Tutoring Service	AP Tutoring	09/2018 to 10/2019

## **Brief Description of Your Participation:**

Access Books: I coordinated a book drive for Access Books which collected over 2,500 books to donate to Multnomah Elementary, an elementary school in inner-city LA. I then attended the refurbishment of the library, where the books were organized and the library was painted and given new furniture. I have attended these events regularly since 2016.

Canyon Lake Library: I tutored elementary school students weekly in English and mathematics free of charge. I also shelved and organized books.

Link Leaders: I introduced two groups of freshmen to my high school, a process which included working with them daily during orientation, and maintaining contact with them throughout the year through meetings and scheduled tutoring days.

Self-Run AP Tutoring Service: I provided free tutoring to struggling AP students, helping them to earn college credit by providing a service which is typically expensive and unreachable to many.

## C) List Honors or Academic Awards You Have Received (e.g., Scholarly Activities, Research, etc.):

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Organization	Award / Honor	MM/YYYY
HOSA Future Health Professionals	1st in CA for Researched Persuasive Writing and Speaking	04/2019
HOSA Future Health Professionals	1st in CA for Medical Law and Ethics	04/2019
Lake Elsinore Chamber of Commerce	Student of the Month	09/2019

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Organization	Award / Honor	MM/YYYY
Riverside County Office of Education	Seal of Multiliteracy	10/2019
Riverside County Office of Education	Gold medalist at county science fair in environmental engineering	04/2019
Temescal Canyon High School	Department Award for IB English HL 1	05/2019
Temescal Canyon High School	Department Award for AP World History	05/2018
Temescal Canyon High School	Department Award for AP Art History	05/2018
Temescal Canyon High School	Department Award for Advanced Biology	05/2017
Temescal Canyon High School	Department Award for Advanced English 9	05/2017
Temescal Canyon High School	Department Award for Spanish 1	05/2017
TCHS ASB	Titan Pride Junior of the Year	05/2019
Temescal Canyon High School	Student of the Month	09/2016, 09/2017, 02/2019

To the best of my knowledge, the contents of my application are accurate and I am authorized to work in the United States.†

Agree

#### SCAG Application Essay

I am dedicated to serving my community in whatever way that I can. Because of this, I see no future for myself that does not involve my entrance into the world of politics. After high school, I plan to attend Princeton University majoring in politics. I have a passion for studying complex interactions between varying demographics, ranging from groups of different genders, religions, socioeconomic statuses, and sexualities, and the power dynamics which are created through the very existence of these demographics. These dynamics ultimately form the foundation of the society we all live in, and understanding the historical and political implications of their ramifications is something which fascinates me. Following my successful completion of this degree, I plan to apply to law school and earn a law degree. Immediately after this, I plan to begin drafting legislation in association with organizations which share my same passion for securing human rights and dignity for all Americans, regardless of their ethnicity, socioeconomic status, gender, or sexuality. My entrance into the world of legislation is a direct result of my desire for equity for all, especially in the areas of healthcare and education, regardless of a person's background. The pursuit of equality and the securing of human rights should unvaryingly be the driving force behind legislation, which is a philosophy I plan on utilizing throughout my career as a legislator.

My passion for public service and political science is intrinsically tied to my identity. I am a lesbian, and as a member of the LGBTQ+ community, I feel a strong obligation to make the world a better, safer place for people like me. Every day, countless LGBTQ+ individuals are denied their rights to life, liberty, and their personal pursuit of happiness. One of the most glaring

examples of this, and one which I plan on devoting much of my future career to addressing, is the issue of access to healthcare for both homeless LGBTQ+ youth as well as transgender people. A disproportionate amount of the homeless youth in the United States are members of the LGBTQ+ community. Apart from often lacking food and shelter, these children also lack something which many people overlook: basic healthcare. Lacking healthcare from a young age can cause lifelong health issues for these countless children and teens who find themselves without it. Furthermore, transgender individuals who battle gender dysphoria every day are often denied access to gender affirming surgeries and hormones because they are considered by many isurance providers to be purely cosmetic. The psychological burden of gender dysphoria should not be one which someone is forced to carry for a lifetime simply because of their inability to pay exorbitant amounts of money for medical treatment.

Another area of injustice which fundamentally shapes my interest in public policy is the issue of equity in education. I was nine years old when I volunteered for the first time with the nonprofit organization Access Books. I can remember the day clearly. My mom drove me down countless back alleys in inner-city LA until we reached the destination where we were to volunteer. The destination was a school. Its windows were shielded by iron bars. It's schoolyard was a square patch of dirt. Hidden inside the school was a single-room library, containing fewer than 500 books, all of them in poor condition. My mom had explained to me that the students who went to the school had no books at home. Even at school, they had barely anything to read. As a fourth grader, I was a voracious reader, and I could not imagine living in a home without books, let alone attending a school with no library. That day, as I worked with my volunteer group to sort through boxes of donated books, organize them, and put them onto the library's

small shelves, I was granted a glimpse into the world of systemic illiteracy for the first time. Though I had no idea of the global implications this phenomenon had, and no inkling of the devastating impact it could have upon the cycle of poverty, I knew that I wanted to do what I could to help stop it. In the years that followed, I undertook community service projects which allowed me to provide access to education to those who otherwise lacked it. Through my volunteer work at the Canyon Lake library, I offered tutoring in math and language arts to K-8 students free of charge. Many of my student's parents would not have been able to afford a tutor otherwise. I began my own tutoring service for AP students. I offered one-on-one test preparation for any of my younger peers who booked an appointment, completely free of charge. AP credit is valuable, and AP tutors are expensive. I wanted to provide that service to those who could benefit from it. In the past year, I have continued and intensified my involvement with Access Books. I coordinated a book drive in my school and community, ultimately collecting over 2,500 books for an elementary school in inner-city LA called Multnomah Elementary. As a legislator, one of my major career goals is drafting legislation to make a meaningful difference in how schools are funded, and how these funds are allocated. Literacy is a human right: one which I will fight to defend.

I work every day, and will continue to work with the same intensity for the rest of my life, because I know that I can make the most difference in the lives of the oppressed as a legislator. I am dedicated to working to dismantle the barriers which keep those who are oppressed, including racial minorities, religious minorities, those stuck in the cycle of poverty, and of course, the LGBTQ+ community, marginalized. By pursuing my goals with rigor, I can make a difference in the lives of those who need it most. Your scholarship will not only make

these goals financially realistic for me to accomplish, and lessen my financial burden from the offset of my adult life, but also offer me invaluable first hand experience with the world of politics which I can use once my education is complete.



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May 4, 2020

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To Whom It May Concern,

It is with great pleasure that I write this letter of recommendation for . I have known for four years. From the first day of our IB class, I could tell that was exceptional. In our challenging International Baccalaureate program, it can be difficult for students to stand out while managing the pressures involved. did both and amazed me with poise, maturity, and work ethic.

is, without a doubt, the brightest student I have ever taught. has an incredible natural intelligence and is an effective communicator both in writing and speaking. exemplifies what a student leader should be and has been a role model for her peers. Among peers, stands out in terms of judgment and integrity.

achievements in school, leadership and extra-curricular activities are numerous. With the current curriculum of our school's IB program, it is nearly impossible for students to achieve the IB Diploma and remain in ASB classes. committed to both that took college classes over the summer in order to free up room schedule, and still maintains an impressive 4.4 GPA. has been an integral part of our Associated Student Body, planning numerous events and serving in a variety of leadership roles. As a Freshman, spearheaded the creation of a brand new Debate Club, for which I was the advisor. organized everything, recruited members, and peers about debating. high school career has culminated in educated several officer positions in multiple clubs including ASB Secretary, HOSA Vice President and National Honor Society President.

has a servant's heart. has taught entire lessons in my class, simply for the joy of doing it. created a tutoring service where tutored students in AP subject matter for free. led entire class in organizing their IB Community Service Project in which they collected and donated over 2500 books for an underserved elementary school in downtown Los Angeles. also organized a field trip to refurbish the library and shelve the books.

is simply a wonderful human being. is kind, thoughtful, brilliant beyond belief, and extremely hard working. is passionate about public policy and has a well-defined world view, focusing on equity in everything, especially Education. Words truly cannot express the level of exceptionalism displays in everything does and I could not be more proud of If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Warm Regards,

Michelle Ritter



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## Temescal Canyon High School



To Whom It May Concern,

I have known through excellent participation in the International Baccalaureate Diploma Program as also passed AP Art History test with a 5 as a sophomore.

is a dedicated and thoughtful student with a disciplined mind and an academic approach to literary and philosophical analysis. Not only is organized and college-bound, takes an active life in the politics of the IB program at Temescal Canyon High School. participates in the IB governing club (Treasurer), Debate Club (President), NHS (President), CSF (Secretary), HOSA (Vice President), ASB (Secretary) and Engineering. has set the standard for future students seeking to balance creative expression with disciplined personal rigor, especially within the IB program.

While our school continues to develop our IB Program, already exemplifies this program's unique blend of academic writing application, public speaking, deep analytical rigor, and global-minded service. the cultural and enrichment dimension of the IB Program, as well as the academic leadership skills were on display during requirements of the IB curriculum. Creativity, Activity, Service (CAS) project for IB. organized a student team to collect books for an elementary school library renovation project in Los Angeles. also led the team in cleaning and painting the library. This service project is consistent interest in seeing equity available through all areas of education and opportunity for all. It is easily apparent to teachers and those who serves that is passionate about public policy, which develops through commitment to community and passion for service.

I hope to see take already advanced and talented student career into a realm of extraordinary achievement. My hope is that your institution will guide in the ongoing pursuit of life-long academic rigor, strength of character, ambitious societal change, and being a caring, compassionate human being,

With the highest recommendation,

Justin Morris

Justin Morris

Theory of Knowledge (IB)

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08/12/2015-06/02/2016	4211 Spanish 1 College Code: E Language other than English	A+	1.0000	5	Credit: 30.000 GPA: 4.833	U/W GF	PA: 4.000
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#### 2020 SCAG Scholarship Program - RS-404

#### **Personal Information**

**Full Name** 

All items marked with \* are required.

**Address** 

**County** Riverside

**Phone Number** 

E-mail

Internship Availability July 2020

#### **Educational Information**

Current Educational Status
High School Junior

**Date of Graduation** Monday, May 31, 2021

Name of Educational Institution Notre Dame High School

**Location of Educational Institution** Riverside, California

Grade Point Average (GPA) Type

Unweighted

Grade Point Average (GPA) 4.24

Intended College / University High school junior

Intended Major Pre-law

#### **Activities & Interests**

A) List and Briefly Describe Your Extracurricular Activities (e.g., Memberships in Groups, Sports, etc.):

Organization	Position Held
Notre Dame HS Mock Trial	Prosecution attorney
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Organization	Position Held
Notre Dame HS Student Ambassadors	Ambassador
Big Brothers Big Sisters Mentor Program	Mentor
Varsity tennis	
Varsity track and . eld	

#### **Description of Responsibilities:**

Throughout my high school career I have prided myself on being actively involved in my school through a wide array of activities. Not only have I participated in sports, such as varsity tennis and track field, I have also ventured into being a Notre Dame Student ambassador, a mentor through the Big Brothers Big Sisters mentorship program, and a prosecuting attorney for Notre Dame mock trial. Although a serious time commitment, these activities have been incredibly formative for my character and work ethic. As influential as they have all been, most important of my activities would undoubtedly be my role on the Notre Dame mock trial team. After an application and selection process, I was chosen to complete the prosecution team. Besides great law exposure and courtroom experience, mock trial has helped improve my leadership skills, communication, diction, and the way I hold myself. Having to replicate realistic case proceedings has allowed me to gain greater understanding of a field I hope to pursue one day. In all of my activities I have definitely had to take on positions of leadership, ranging from being an attorney and role model for my teammates, and working with younger children as a mentor. In addition, in regards to my role on student ambassadors, being an ambassador and advocate for my school, which I love dearly, has also succeeded at pushing me to be a stronger leader. I have been able to incorporate all of these activities, along with my passion for the arts, into my lifestyle and I have definitively reaped the benefits.

#### B) List and Briefly Describe Volunteer **Activities in Which You Have Been** Involved:

Organization	Activity	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY		
Riverside Art Museum	Education intern	2018-2019		
Big Brothers Big Sisters Mentor Program	Mentor	2019-		

#### **Brief Description of Your Participation:**

My high school offers us an immense variety of activities that count as volunteer work. However, I have found it important to find ways to incorporate my interests. My art was a huge driving force behind my pursuing of an internship with the Riverside Art Museum. I have been classically trained and practicing art since I was a child. Frankly, as soon as I could pick up a crayon I began creating. Although with schoolwork it has become more difficult to prioritize my creations, my volunteering with the museum definitely helped. As an education intern I was expected to help the teacher in any ways they needed. However, I also had to be ready to convey and demonstrate my skills when the children needed assistance. The opportunity to teach my craft and give back to my community was a fruitful experience that continues to benefit me. I volunteered as an education intern for my sophomore year and I hope to resume my work next year. In addition, I am currently a mentor with the Big Brother Big Sister mentorship program. I was selected through an application and interview process, then assigned to an elementary school in a low-income neighborhood of Riverside. As a mentor I am not only expected to help my little with his schoolwork, but I am supposed to be a strong and supportive role model he can trust and rely on. It is a weekly, year-long commitment that I have greatly enjoyed. I plan on continuing my mentorship through next year.

C) List Honors or Academic Awards You Have Received (e.g., Scholarly Activities, Research, etc.):

Organization	Award / Honor	MM/YY YY
Notre Dame High School	National Honor Society	2020-
Notre Dame High School	Principal Honor Roll	2018-
Notre Dame High School	Subject Area Award (Geometry)	2018- 2019
Notre Dame High School	Subject Area Award (AP World History)	2018- 2019
Notre Dame High School	Subject Area Award (Honors French II)	2018- 2019

To the best of my knowledge, the contents of my application are accurate and I am authorized to work in the United States.†

Agree

SCAG Scholarship Program

7 May 2020

Angeles, I never gave much attention to the background processes occurring that defined my home. Of course, it was always present; in our dirtied and polluted beaches and our foggy air. As a young adult, witnessing the fluctuating demise of her environment, I now understand the importance of services like urban planning. That's not to say I haven't always had an infatuation with my environment and improving it. Even as a young child I recognized the damages humans were inflicting on parts of our world like the oceans. I've always had an infinity for advocacy, seen when I converted coffee bean cans into donation collectors and spent show-and-tell periods educating my peers on how we were hurting our environment and its creatures, and even included ways to better ourselves. How can we not be "plagued" with the desire to cherish our earth, our communities? How can we not want to help and improve especially considering the current pandemic we're suffering through which is undoubtedly related to the denseness and overpopulation of our cities like New York?

Interestingly, I believe my background has certainly influenced my outlook on such things as urban planning. I live in a city dense with culture and I believe I could add to it in unique ways. My father is and my mother is . I have been exposed to both ethnicities and cultural identities, as well as witnessed the economic stereotypes. I live in neighborhoods rife with gentrification. Although urban planning isn't my intended career path, I certainly believe that law and these public services are interrelated.

Public services, to me, are works that benefit the common good of society. I truly believe there are greater benefits, especially morally, to completing tasks or jobs that help people rather than pursuing a career solely because of optimal monetary compensation. Now, I live in homes surrounded by those in the public services field. My grandmother has dedicated her life to teaching. My mother is a nurse and my stepmother is a gynecological oncologist. All three of these women have sacrificed their lives to supporting the welfare of others. Honestly, I couldn't have asked for better role models especially when it came to guiding me through this experience and application process. I don't have the same inclination to the medical or educational field, however, I do believe I have uncovered a common ground in law that, hopefully, I would be incredibly fortunate to pursue. I was recently made aware of the Innocence Project. The Innocence Project exonerates the wrongly convicted through DNA testing and reforms the criminal justice system to prevent future injustices. After law school, it would be, for lack of better words, a dream come true if I were to be able to work for this non-profit. It's a way to pursue a career in law while incorporating my desire to advocate and fight. That is where the two connect: urban planning and public service. It is undeniable that a large part of successful urban planning is the advocacy and fighting for desired reforms, jurisdiction, etc. That is why I'm interested in this scholarship. It would give me an unmatchable opportunity to gain experience in the fields of urban planning and public service, undeniably greatly benefiting my future career endeavors.



## OFFICE OF COUNTY COUNSEL COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE

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May 6, 2020

Southern California Association of Governments Attn: 2020 SCAG Scholarship Program Mr. Jonathan Hughes - Scholarship Program Coordinator 550 South Main Street, Suite 741 Orange, CA 92868 hughesi@scag.ca.gov

#### **VIA EMAIL AND APPLICATION SUBMISSION**

Mr. Jonathan Hughes:

I am writing this letter today in order to offer my strong recommendation of Notre Dame High School student, as an applicant for the 2020 Southern California Association of Governments Scholarship Program.

I have had the pleasure of knowing as Mock Trial coach over the past year. From the moment that entered the classroom for initial interview with the coaching staff, has been a model of professionalism, maturity, leadership, and class. As a new participant in a well-established and aggressive program, surprised us all by not only taking on a lead attorney role during first year, but constantly excelling beyond all of our expectations.

Something very unique to Notre Dame High School is that students are often involved in many activities at the same time. Over the years, our Mock Trial team has attracted award-winning athletes, skilled musicians, class valedictorians, and stars on the stage, all of whom have been asked to dedicate hundreds of hours of their time and eight months of their lives in order help make our Mock Trial program a success. This was certainly the case for \_\_\_\_\_\_, who somehow managed to skillfully balance participation in athletics (varsity tennis and track), philanthropy (both on-campus as a Student Ambassador and in the community as part of the Big Brother Big Sister program and as an intern with the Riverside Art Museum), and mock trial (as a lead prosecution attorney), all while absolutely conquering an academically-difficult junior year.

Never one to falter on obligations, somehow managed to be everywhere required, do everything of asked of and succeed at every challenge thrown way. As a professional, I know that time management is a difficult skill to learn, and one that must be honed over years of practice. ability to somehow balance personal, academic, athletic, and extracurricular obligations, exceeding in each and every each area, is impressive and frankly unexpected at such a young age.

As an attorney who has represented public agencies throughout the entirety of my career, I would

Mr. Jonathan Hughes - Scholarship Program Coordinator *Re*: 2020 SCAG Scholarship Program – Applicant

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like to think that I have somewhat of an "insider's understanding" of the amazing opportunities that this scholarship offers to students. The ability to see first-hand how a local government works, meeting with elected officials, and learning from the policy makers of your own community – this is an experience that is capable of shaping someone's future and influencing someone's career goals. I strongly believe that is the ideal candidate for this scholarship program, one who will actively participate when appropriate, enthusiastically listen to those around eagerly immerse in the experience as a whole so that may garner from it every possible benefit. As plans to major in Political Science during pre-law studies, this scholarship program would afford the ability to have an up close and personal glimpse into the world of government that will serve as a foundation upon which can base educational pursuits.

is a mature, intelligent, dedicated, and hardworking who will undoubtedly accomplish many great things in this world. I truly believe that will be a beneficial addition to your program, not only as an engaged participant, but also as an alumni success story to share for years to come. I strongly endorse as a recipient of the 2020 Southern California Association of Governments Scholarship. Should you have any questions concerning this recommendation, please do not hesitate to contact me directly via email at <a href="mailto:kmoran@rivco.org">kmoran@rivco.org</a> or by phone at (951) 275-2056.

Sincerely,

Kelly A. Moran

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Chambers of
Eric Keen
Judge of the Superior Court



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### Superior Court of California

County of Riverside

May 7, 2020

Re:

#### TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

It is with much enthusiasm that I recommend for the SCAG Scholarship Program. I am the Mock Trial coach at Notre Dame High School in Riverside. Makiia joined our team in junior year, the fall of 2019. Very quickly, I could tell that was going to have a big impact on our team. advanced oral advocacy skills were clearly evident and attorney. Because of tenacity and hard work, was twice awarded an MVP award from the opposing team after competition.

enthusiasm, intelligence, and persistence have made a great asset to our team. has shown herself to be a quick learner, a team player, dependable, and committed to the success strength is steadfastness and refusal to accept anything but the best from is well liked by everyone on the team and others are quick to follow example making a natural leader. In the courtroom literally comes alive and thrives when in competition. loves a challenge and gives all effort.

has also excelled academically maintaining greater than a 4.2 GPA over high school career and receiving numerous teacher awards for work in their classes. also is on the school's tennis and track team and devotes much of time to school and community activities. Needless to say, has shown tremendous resiliency in being able to thrive consistently at such a high and impressive level.

In the time that I have known I have seen that holds herself to the highest moral character. It has been my pleasure to be mock trial coach and to witness growth over the last year. I recommend without reservation. Please let me know if I can provide any further information to strengthen Makiia's candidacy for the SCAG Scholarship Program. Please do not hesitate to reach me at Eric.Keen@riverside.courts.ca.gov.

Very best regards,

Eric Keen

Judge of the Riverside County Superior Court

Student Name/Address/Phone	Student ID	Gender	
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	State Student ID	Ethnicity	
		Non-Hispanic	
Parent/Guardian	Place of Birth		
	Riverside California United States		

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#### 2020 SCAG Scholarship Program - RS-409

#### **Personal Information**

**Full Name** 

All items marked with \* are required.

**Address** 

**County** Riverside

**Phone Number** 

E-mail

Internship Availability July 2020

#### **Educational Information**

Current Educational Status
High School Senior

**Date of Graduation** Thursday, April 11

Name of Educational Institution Coachella Valley High School

**Location of Educational Institution**Coachella, California

Grade Point Average (GPA) Type

Unweighted

Grade Point Average (GPA) 3.7

Intended College / University University of California Santa Barbara

Intended Major Political Science

#### **Activities & Interests**

#### **Description of Responsibilities:**

In this club, we performed plays that were written by authors or previous alumni from our school. These plays were performed for most of the school classes. Overall we performed 4 plays, my roles in these plays were the main character in one play called "sure thing", and a secondary in the play "Dirty Diana"

and "The Notebook".

#### **Brief Description of Your Participation:**

My responsibilities in this internship were to uplift the importance of the community, this year the other members and I were organizing a public event to promote local talent. Sadly, we had to cancel the event as a result of the rapidly spreading virus.

#### **Brief Description of Your Work Responsibilities:**

My work responsibility was to inform and promote the importance of participating in the Census. We canvassed around communities that are unaware of what the Census is. Also, these communities believe they don't qualify to participate as a result of personal reasons. My job was to personally show them the government information that states who can participate.

To the best of my knowledge, the contents of my application are accurate and I am authorized to work in the United States.†

Agree

My interest in public service rose from my constant interaction with a non-profit organization called Alianza and people who are dear to me. With Alianza, I understand that if we neglect others and are unjust to them nothing is ever going to truly be well. For example, I canvassed around the areas that do not have the same luxurious as I. This experience of canvassing was a mind-blowing situation for me because I did not realize how the situation bad the situation for other people could be, all my life I have haad the luck of living in a stable home where everything is provided for me. I must admit, before this event in my life, I was always selfish only caring about what happened to me. However, over time I have realized I would have never been where I am now because of those who surround, and for that reason, I must pay them back in any way possible flourishing my interest in public service. My family, specifically my dad has always put others before himself. He has shown me what it truly means to be thoughtful of others, and why I need to care how other people are feeling. His role in my life furthers my interest in public service because although he's been just to others, the political system is always against him. Although he does not show it, he is always stressed because he is not allowed to visit any place for fear of being deported. This leads to me having the goal of becoming a lawyer and buying my parents a house. I strive to become a lawyer to understand the constructions of laws and help those who have been betrayed by the government. I want those whom have been affected by the prejudice and abuse of power by the government to receive justice. My other goal is to buy my parents a house. They have done everything possible for me to be happy, I want to repay them back with a home because our current living situation is not the best because there is not enough room for all of us. This goal also reflects my interest because if it weren't for the political system we'll be able to get a house and pay them over the years. This system, however, does not believe people from other regions are people. I want to be able to change this absurdity because all that this ideology is causing is conflict and a stereotype of, if you were not born here you are below me. This way of thinking needs to be stopped, I want to do everything in my power to be able to stop it.



## Coachella Valley High School

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Sarah Chavez 7994 Merris St. Highland Ca 92346

Letter of Recommendation

05-28-2019

To whom it may concern:

My name is Sarah Chavez and I am an AP European History and AVID teacher at Coachella Valley High School. I have had the privilege of knowing for four years. is a wonderful with a bright future ahead of is hard working and self-motivated. was in my American history and AVID classes in middle school. I was lucky enough to move on to the high school with my students, so I was also AP European History teacher. is also an AVID student here at the high school so I have been able to follow academic career quite closely.

I believe that would benefit from academic scholarships because is a first generation

The lieve that should benefit from academic scholarships because is a first generation college student. It is smart and has a strong work ethic. One of the things that I admire most about is how takes ownership of grades. I allow students to retake reading quizzes in AP European History. Would not retake quizzes though because felt that earned score the first time. I always thought that was extremely admirable.

One of the things that I admire most about is commitment to studies. is taking a number of AP courses, completes 100 hours of community service each year, and manages time so that completes assignments on time. I have watched grow from an awkward little who was very shy and immature, to a confident, kind, intelligent, and hardworking I cannot wait to see what the future has in store for this

Thank you, Sarah Chavez sarah.chavez@cvusd.us

Sarah Chavy

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April 27, 2019

To Whom It May Concern,

It is with great pleasure that I recommend to be accepted to your program. It was a delightful experience for me to have in my Biology class at Coachella Valley High School during the 2016-17 school year. Over the past three dedication to education and years, I have come to appreciate is one of those students that makes me glad that I am an educator. One of the first traits that I saw in work ethic and maturity. was Therefore, it was a easy decision to give certain leadership positions in my excelled in every type of classroom activity that was given to classroom. from group activities to class room presentations. As a result, it does not surprise me that became elected by counselors to participate in town hall meetings and received a Renaissance Award in Academic excellence in Biology. ability to be a leader helped organized a Special Needs Prom and Dia de Los Muertos was displayed when sense of responsibility enabled leadership, maturity, work ethic, and Event. to form positive relationships with me and other teachers at Coachella Valley High School. These traits do not only appear in school, but it also appears in Importaciones Rochin. great character does not stop with individual awards because the most willingness to help others. There was no project impressive trait that I observed was was not fully involved in, and most importantly, or task that did not leave others behind. Helping others is a constant theme within personality. Therefore, it was a natural progression for to be involved with AVID. I cannot speak highly enough of is an exceptional and student who deserves to be accepted to your program. In blunt terms, it is difficult for me to think of other students that deserve a chance to pursue higher education more than

maturity and

would make an excellent addition to your program.

all-around abilities. I am extremely

Sincerely,

Manuel Valladolid Biology Teacher

Coachella Valley High School

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has impressed me with

excited in waiting for what the future holds for

#### Transcripts

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#### **Course History**

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2016-2017 | Coachella Valley High SchoolGrade 9 | Fall Semester

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Schl 62	Year 2016-2017	Tm 1	Grd 9	Crs ID 430300	Std Course Title Bio 1		CP P		Mark A	Atmp 5.00	Comp 5.00		More
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Schl 62	Year 2016-2017	Tm 1	Grd 9	Crs ID 987150	Std Course Title Avid 1				Mark B	Atmp 5.00	Comp 5.00		More

#### 2016-2017 | Coachella Valley High SchoolGrade 9 | Spring Semester

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#### 2017–2018 | Coachella Valley High SchoolGrade 10 | Spring Semester

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Schl 62	Year 2018-2019	Tm 1	Grd 11	Crs ID 322330	Std Course Title Int Math 3		CP P		Mark A	Atmp 5.00	Comp 5.00		More
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#### 2019–2020 | Coachella Valley High SchoolGrade 12 | Fall Semester

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Schl 62	Year 2019-2020	Tm 1	Grd 12	Crs ID 320850	Std Course Title PreCalcHon	CP P	N/H H	Mark A	Atmp 5.00	Comp 5.00	More
Schl 62	Year 2019-2020	Tm 1	Grd 12	Crs ID 762080	Std Course Title Tech Theater	CP P		Mark A	Atmp 5.00	Comp 5.00	More
Schl 62	Year 2019-2020	Tm 1	Grd 12	Crs ID 965500	Std Course Title EngYourWorldHon	CP P	N/H H	Mark A	Atmp 5.00	Comp 5.00	More
Schl 62	Year 2019-2020	Tm 1	Grd 12	Crs ID 987210	Std Course Title AVID Senior Sem	CP P		Mark A	Atmp 5.00	Comp 5.00	More

# SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

**ATTACHMENT 5** 

SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY APPLICATIONS: 502, 504, 505, 506

#### 2020 SCAG Scholarship Program - SB-502

#### **Personal Information**

**Full Name** 

All items marked with \* are required.

**Address** 

**County** San Bernardino

**Phone Number** 

E-mail

Internship Availability August 2020

#### **Educational Information**

Current Educational Status
High School Senior

**Date of Graduation** Wednesday, May 20, 2020

Name of Educational Institution Etiwanda High School

**Location of Educational Institution** Etiwanda, CA

Grade Point Average (GPA) Type

Weighted

**Grade Point Average (GPA)** 4.75

Intended College / University Yale University

Intended Major Political Science

#### **Activities & Interests**

A) List and Briefly Describe Your Extracurricular Activities (e.g., Memberships in Groups, Sports, etc.):

Organization	Position Held	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
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Organization	Position Held	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
Future Leaders of America (FCLA)	President/Secretary of the Board of Directors	06/2017 to present
National Honor Society (NHS)	President	05/2018 to present
Fontana Mayor's Youth Advisory Council (MYAC)	Chairperson	06/2018 to present
American Youth Leaders (AYL)	Founder/President	08/2017 to present
Associated Student Body (ASB)	Executive Vice President	06/2018 to present
Youth Mentoring Action Network (YMAN)	Invited Guest Speaker and Host	04/10/20 and 04/22/20
State Summer Camp		06/22/19 to 06/29/19

#### **Description of Responsibilities:**

FCLA: Student-run non-profit organization that seeks to encourage young Americans' participation within their community and to create positive change.

- a) Hosted and moderated our own Congressional Debate featuring candidates such as Dave Min, Katie Porter, John Graham, and Kia Hamandanchy
- i) >200 people attended this event with media coverage from the Orange County Register, LA Post, and the World Journal
- ii)Katie Porter, incumbent Congresswoman for the 45th District, attended our debate and made history by being the first Democratic representative for the county since its inception in 1983
- b) Hosted and moderated our own Irvine City Council Debate featuring candidates such as Gang Chen, Liqing Lee Sun, Farrah Khan, Anthony Kuo, and others
  - i) >200 people attended the event with media coverage from the Orange County Register
  - ii) Farrah Khan and Anthony Kuo were later elected into the Irvine City Council for their first time
- c) Plan events from inviting college students to speak at our college panels, to inviting professional companies to host workshops for members such as speech/debate, and to inviting politicians to come speak about their journey through politics.
- i) Allowed members to plan, organize, and host their own meetings to teach them social etiquette, email etiquette, organization, public speaking, etc.
  - d) Hosted and organized a speaker event featuring Congressman Gil Cisneros
- i) Students asked Congressman Cisneros questions, got into discussion groups to discuss issues facing their communities and the nation as a whole, and talked about ways the US Congress can solve them
- e) Organized a "gofundme" called "FCLA Unites to Fight the Coronavirus" in early February and raised \$3799 (total \$3923, gofundme charged a 2.2% fee)
- i) With help from another organization called "The House Club," we were able to send supplies to Wuhan, China by February 29.

  NHS:
  - a) Increased club membership from around 28 to 83 members over past two years

- b) When running for Vice President (automatically become President), I ran to make NHS more than just a volunteering club, but to truly take initiative on campus
- i) Instead of just offering volunteer events, under my Presidency, I reformed the club's goals to host and organize activities for the student body, such as college panels, speaker events, and workshops
- ii) Raised enough money over the year to give every senior (~30) 50% off their graduation awards, such as stoles and sashes
- iii)For the first time in Etiwanda NHS history, I divided the club into different committees so that more members can take initiative and truly feel a sense of leadership
  - 1) Planning Committee: in charge of organizing and hosting workshops, speaker events, etc.
- (a) Led committee members to organize the first-ever Etiwanda HS College Panel on March 19th, featuring current and former EHS students
- (i) Because of the coronavirus, we moved our college panel online and split it over two days: 1) Panel for current students on April 11th 2-4PM and 2) Panel for alumni on April 18th 2-4PM
- (ii) A total of about 100 people attended, from across the Chaffey School District and some from neighboring districts
- 2) Fundraising Committee: responsible for coming up with unique fundraising ideas and reach out to local businesses for partnership and sponsorship
  - (a) Raised enough money to provide every senior in the club with a free sash (~\$900)
- 3) Outreach Committee: in charge of updating sponsors on how we use their money and create unique ways to help the community
- 4) Curriculum Committee: responsible for making monthly "leadership lessons" for our meetings

MYAC:

- a) Presented a public speaking workshop for the Fontana City Staff (1/3/2018)
- b) Hosted an Annual Teen Leadership Summit on (2/17/2018), (2/16/2019), and (3/7/2020) with powerful speakers, including motivational speaker (Jesse LeBeau) and Fontana representative on "The Voice" (Anthony Alexander) and workshops to teach team-work and leadership abilities to teenagers
  - i) >400 people attend our Teen Leadership Summit from Fontana and surrounding cities
- c) Attend City-Council and Parks Commissions Meetings during the year to update the city on our progress and to be aware of the events going on in the city
- d) Discuss with the Mayor current issues facing our community and how the city can solve those problems
  - e) Received Certificate of Recognition from the City of Fontana and Fontana Unified School District
- f) Invited by the US Conference of Mayors to attend the very first National Mayor's Youth Summit in Los Angeles
- i) Spoke in front of a Press Conference (KCAL9 and CBSNBC2) with the Mayor of LA and the President of the US Conference of Mayors about youth involvement and responsibility of the youth in their local cities

AYL:

- a) First club/ student organization ever in Etiwanda history to partner with the E-High CC (parent association) of the school to help the organization raise money, increase parental membership, and assist in any of their events
- i) Increased E-high CC membership by 47 members through personally advertising in student leadership, various clubs, friends, etc.
  - 1) Helped E-High CC meet their highest goal ever with 529 members
  - b) Hosted the very first official Voter Pre-Registration Drive in Etiwanda High School history
- i) Working together with other clubs, we convinced the Department Chair of Social Sciences to make it a mandatory event for all Junior and Senior Social Science classes to attend our presentation talking about the importance of voting with accurate information
- ii) During one day of National Voter Registration Day (9/24), we presented to each class from 0 period (7am) to 6th period (3pm) nonstop
- 1) Among the 1,800 attendees who attended our presentation, we pre-registered  $\sim$ 350 students in addition to the hundreds of seniors already registered
- iii) A Former City-Council member of San Bernardino, Virginia Marquez, attended our presentation to express support
- iv) Recognized by the League of Women Voters of San Bernardino County for Civic Achievement 3

  ASB:

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  - a) As Junior Project Manager, I designed, organized, and planned all activities that Juniors host

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- i) Manager of our school's Prom, including designing school murals for the dance, choosing the Prom venue, and planning the school rally, spirit days, and other Prom-related activities 1.e
- ii) Managed Prom Expo, an event that our school hosts to have students model and advertise for the various companies that make Prom suits and dresses
  - iii) Delegate jobs to other class members and make sure the overall event goes well
  - b) When running for Executive Vice President, I ran to make an ASB-Club Cooperation Union
    - i) Won by popular vote at school by a landslide (236 to 117)
    - ii) Organized and designed the "Club Rush" (club fair) on campus for >50 clubs
- iii) I created a monthly meeting for all clubs to meet together, learn, and discuss plans and goals with each other called the "ASB-Club Cooperation Union," similar to a town hall
  - 1) First-ever VP in EHS history to create such a collaboration with other student organizations
  - 2) Update the clubs on upcoming school events so that everyone is on the same page
  - 3) Allow clubs to spotlight their upcoming events if they would like to partner with other clubs
  - 4) Worked with heads of 18 clubs to organize the first-ever tailgate in Etiwanda HS history
- (a) Led clubs to sell food, organize activities, moderate a DJ, etc. for over 500 community members attending the annual Powderpuff Football Game YMAN:
- a) Invited by the organization to speak on a panel about the youth experience during the coronavirus on April 10th from 1-2PM
- i) Video recording of the panel sent to many officials across the world (~1000) https://zoom.us/rec/play/
  - b) Wrote an Op-Ed article on the American experience during the Coronavirus Pandemic.
- c) Invited to host, organize, and facilitate a panel talking about the American experience during the coronavirus pandemic.

State:

- a) Semi-finalists for the Oratorical Contest hosted at State
- b) Ran for, campaigned, and fundraised for my election of
  - i) Lost by 20 votes for the position
- c) Appointed as the
- i) Proposed a bill that called for the reduction of water usage and better water regulations across the (eventually passed by the
  - ii) Proposed a bill that called for the abolishment of College Board (eventually passed by the
  - d) Elected to become the

to negotiate with other cities

- i) Negotiated compromises and improved relations with other cities
- ii) Diplomatically discussed ways to define borders between cities, how jurisdiction between cities should function, and laws that can be unanimously be implemented by all cities in the county

#### B) List and Briefly Describe Volunteer Activities in Which You Have Been Involved:

Organization	Activity	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
Water of Life Community Church	Media Tech	08/2017 to 08/2019

#### **Brief Description of Your Participation:**

- a) Volunteer as a Junior Crew Leader for VBS (Vacation Bible Study) during the summers,
- i) Lead group discussions and prayers; assist the Crew Leader in activities and making the kids feel included and welcome
  - ii) Helped lead small groups for the children in various activities
- b) Volunteer biweekly to monitor lighting, sound, slides, etc. to make sure church service goes smoothly
- C) List Honors or Academic Awards You Have Received (e.g., Scholarly Activities, Research, etc.):

Award / Honor	M M/ YY YY
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Organization	Award / Honor	M M/ YY YY
Coca Cola Scholars	Coca Cola Scholarship Semi-finalist (top 1,928 out of 93,000 applicants)	01 /2 02 0
California State Testing	Perfect Score on the California Assessmnt of Student Perforamance and Progress test (CAASPP)	10 /2 01 9
Chaffey Join Union School District	Superintedent's Honor Roll (all As all four years)	09 /2 01 9
College Board	National AP Scholar Award (all 4s or 5s on 8+ AP tests)	07 /2 01 9
Etiwanda High School	Counselor Student of the Month	10 /2 01 8
National & Community Service	Presidential Service Award - Bronze (100 hours)	02 /2 01 9
National & Community Service	Presidential Service Award - Gold (250 hours)	10 /2 01 9
Etiwanda High School	Etiwanda Top 10 Student (each year for past four years)	03 /2 02 0
Etiwanda High School	Student of the Month (5 times over the past 4 years)	02 /2 01 9

# D) List and Briefly Describe Any Work Experience:

Organization	Position Held	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
City of Irvine	Intern for Christina Shea, Mayor of Irvine	04/2019 to present
Etiwanda High School	Co-Teacher	09/2020 to present

#### **Brief Description of Your Work Responsibilities:**

#### Internship:

- a) Manage the Instagram, Facebook, and personal website of the Mayor of Irvine
  - i) Gained work experience in a public service field
  - ii) Attend City Council meetings and city-wide events to take notes and pictures
- b) Promoted to a member on the Committee Council of the Mayor
  - i) First time in Irvine City history that a student was on the Committee Council of the Mayor
  - ii) Discuss with members of the City Council of Irvine issues and economy regarding the city
- c) Received a Certificate of Recognition and Appreciation by the Mayor of Irvine

#### Co-Teacher:

- a) Set up and grade labs for the class
- b) Make and grade tests for teacher
- c) Teach the class on select days
- d) Tutor students

To the best of my knowledge, the contents of my application are accurate and I am authorized to work in the United States.†

Agree

The United States is experiencing a "Vote-phobia" epidemic. In the 2018 election, only 36% of people in the youth voting age (18-29 years) voted, down from 41.9% in 2014. At these percentages, our elected officials represent fewer and fewer people, threatening our democracy. Having parents who grew up in Communist China and who were both present at the Tiananmen Square Massacre fighting for their ideals of liberty and freedom, I am reminded of how fortunate we are in America to be able to exercise our freedoms and voting privileges.

I believe that in order to make positive changes in our society I have to inspire my fellow peers to take advantage of the civic opportunities given to them. In a club I founded, American Youth Leaders, I organized the first-ever Voter Pre-Registration Drive at my school. I talked to our school librarian and connected with Rotary Interact and others to plan the event. Working together, we convinced the school's Social Sciences Chair to make it a mandatory event for all history and government classes to attend our presentation (roughly 1800 people). As a result of our interactive, multimedia presentations, lasting for seven periods from 7AM to 3PM, we managed to pre-register around 350 students, mainly juniors.

The event was an amazing success: a former City Council member even attended our presentation to show support. Every teacher complimented us on our professionalism and willingness to increase community representation. My AP US History teacher made a point to tell us how much of an impact we were making in our school and the world. She said, "It is because of people like you that I have hope for the future."

I realized from this experience that increasing community participation and encouraging civic engagement gives opportunities for my fellow peers to fight for the changes that they want to see in the world. However, not everyone gets these same opportunities and resources, and so many factors play into who gets representation in politics: How do socio-economics affect the different resources students have at school? If people are too busy working paycheck-to-paycheck, how do they have time to pay attention to politics and community activities? What will happen to society if everyone is just worried about their day-to-day activities and do not care about their community? Their relationship with neighbors and friends? Are the people who are already living comfortably and have the resources to keep up with politics the ones who "control" the decisions of our nation? How can we fix the socio-economic gap to make politics a fair game to everyone?

This experience has transformed the way I view politics and deepened my interest for government and public service. I used to think that in America, under the "laissez-faire" idea, it was each person responsible for themselves... independence. But, after this experience, I realized that there were so many factors hindering people from getting involved in politics; as the wealth gap grows, politics could become less and less representative of all Americans. In college, I will continue efforts to increase voter participation and also bring light to deeper issues we need to solve in the framework of American politics.

I plan on using what I've learned from organizing Voter Pre-registration Drives and increasing voter participation to also encourage world cooperation and dialogue to bring more peace and stability to the world. With hopes to study both political science and global affairs in the future, I want to learn more about how the little factors in someone's everyday life can affect politics. Through learning about how these little factors affect every part of our life in each corner of our globe, I can have a

wider vision that will allow me to open doors to multicultural dialogue and think in ways reflective of the globe. I hope to one day run for elected office and help make the lives of those around me better.

#### ETIWANDA HIGH SCHOOL

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Letter of Recommendation for

I have known since freshman year, first as Science Olympiad coach and second as Honors Chemistry teacher, third as AP Chemistry teacher, and currently as Co-Teaching teacher and it is an absolute honor to be given the opportunity to recommend to the SCAG Scholarship program. During the four years I have known has shown to be highly intelligent, motivated and driven, kind and considerate, collaborative, a person of integrity, and an all around wonderful student. If I were to describe sentence, I would say that is a jack of all trades, master of many. I don't think I have met a student quite like .someone with so many talents who is humble and gives off such a positive vibe and aura.

Most freshmen are intimidated by upperclassmen to join Science Olympiad however, was demonstrated drive and aptitude in science at an early age and an exception. lack of experience to deter from competing in Towers and Experimental Design. persistence earned a spot in the top team at our school during sophomore year, competing in Thermodynamics, Ecology, and Towers. As a sophomore, had not taken enough sciences to be competitive in both Thermodynamics and Ecology and I would have been happy if placed in the top 10. However, motivation and courage to delve deeper into topics even upperclassmen were wary of, helped earn top six medals in both events at regional. interest in a wide range of topics and a combination of curiosity, willingness to take risks, and a strong desire to learn something new makes an exceptional learner. It has been an honor and a journey to be a witness to his voracious appetite as devours every experience and opportunity to learn something new.

has been a top student in both my Honors and AP Chemistry classes who gets along with everyone, is highly respected by peers, and spoken highly by teachers. When was recognized at the staff meeting this year for having received a perfect score in both the math and english portion of CAASP, the staff gave a standing ovation for accomplishment. I don't remember ever seeing the staff cheer other students like they cheered for It was incredible! As a student in my class, grasped difficult concepts quickly, did not hesitate to ask thought provoking as well as clarifying questions, and actively participated in class discussions. enthusiasm encouraged peers to speak up and ask questions instead of being passive

participants. Despite intelligence, is humble and hardworking and always strives to achieve very best. Therefore, I was not surprised when earned a "5" on the AP test.

is a master of time management. Even with an extremely full schedule, maintain top grades in AP and honors classes, fulfill leadership expectations, be a competitive Science Olympian, have fun with friends, get into amicable debates on political and international issues, tutor and co-teach my honors and AP students, and yet find time to learn languages. I don't know how does it all but it is quite impressive. French teacher raves as a student and how they converse in French all the time. about greets me in Korean, I held a short conversation with a Jewish couple in Hebrew, and know is fluent in Chinese. is greeting his Arabic friends in Arabic. curiosity has no end and I have never met a now student in all my years of teaching who could handle this kind of a challenging schedule, be a top student, and still maintain that lightheartedness, joy, and humility that is quintessentially

When I mentioned earlier that is a jack of all trades and master of many, it is because when I heavily recruited to join Science Olympiad, I did not know of talent and passion in politics and international relations. had shown me that has a remarkable acumen in substituted in for a student last minute and built a mousetrap sciences and engineering when vehicle in two weeks that functioned admirably at state competition. However, when I had conversations with of recent political issues, I was amazed at knowledge of current open mindedness in hearing events. ability to voice opinions firmly but politely, and the opposing point of view. Unlike many teenagers I have talked with, did not use emotions in formulating thoughts. Instead based his opinions on facts had researched. Maybe at other schools there are students like who is a master of a wide range of interests, but in my experience these kinds of students are far and few in between.

has a dream of traveling the world, learning about different cultures and languages, and advocating for collaboration and understanding between nations. I always thought could be a great scientist but regardless of what chooses to pursue, I know will make a great contribution to our society. What I will remember most about pure joy, love of leadership in leading and inspiring others, and humility and kindness to others. learning, has demonstrated passion and excellence in all mind to. leadership, passion, sense of adventure, and willingness to take risks lead me to believe that there will be no limit to growth and achievement in college and beyond. would truly be a superior candidate for the SCAG Scholarship Program.

Sincerely,

Lily Min Science Teacher Dr. Mac Wolfe

#### **Assistant Principals**

Azande Aikens Eric Cypher Julie Kawai, ED.D. Martin Telles

## ETIWANDA HIGH **SCHOOL**

#### "Commitment to Excellence"

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Dear SCAG Scholarship Committee:

April 27, 2020

, one of the most impressive and accomplished students It is my genuine pleasure to recommend I have ever encountered. In working with over the last four years, I have observed demonstrate academic promise, character and personal drive that will make a wonderful recipient for your SCAG Scholarship Program.

Throughout high school has undertaken the most rigorous academic program while participating extensively in leadership and volunteer opportunities in and outside of the school setting. the US President's Service Award twice for volunteering 100 and 250 hours in our community - a rare accomplishment for teens these days especially since community service is not a graduation requirement for our school. Academically, has never taken a college prep course when there was an Honors/AP course offered. excels in academic pursuits confirmed by extraordinary 4.75 grade point average and 1st in class rank!

is a team player and is adored by our students and staff. served as our community State representative and outclassed competition for the position. values community and is always local surroundings a better place. I will never forget my first encounter with seeking ways to make mom before freshman year. They were deeply concerned with how could maximize education with advance coursework and balance extracurricular activities. When planning held ground when deciding on taking an ASB/Leadership class that was not academic in nature. felt could make a positive impact on our school – and has! Four years later, and mom disagreed again on decision to become a co-teacher for AP chemistry teacher. to take a more rigorous mom wanted course, but wanted to give back to school and teacher by helping in the classroom even if it affected refuses to be defined by others and forges class rank. own path guided by passion.

is enthusiastic about finding out ways to learn more about the inner workings of government/public service and its impact on community. was accepted into Yale's prestigious global leadership program and has worked closely with several mayors and congressmen in our region. I am proud to mention that will attend Yale University in the fall as a Global Studies major. I know that will excel in this area because demeanor, compassion for others and natural leadership ability. has always had a clear, unwavering sense of self, knowledge of what wants and ability to achieve goals.

I recommend high intellect, extraordinary industry, strong communication enthusiastically because skills and lively curiosity will allow to make tremendous contributions to the Yale community. is one generation has to offer based on my 20 years of counseling experience. I believe of the best students is a strong candidate for your SCAG Scholarship Program. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Chaffey Joint Union High School District

Respectfully,

Stephanie Harkey Stephanie Harkey **Guidance Counselor**  Attachment: San Bernardino County Applications: 502, 504, 505, 506 (2020 SCAG Scholarship Program)

This transcript is unofficial unless signed by a school official.

Signature:

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Date:

## 2020 SCAG Scholarship Program - SB-504

## **Personal Information**

**Full Name** 

All items marked with \* are required.

**Address** 

**County** San Bernardino

**Phone Number** 

E-mail

Internship Availability July 2020

## **Educational Information**

Current Educational Status
High School Senior

**Date of Graduation** Saturday, May 30, 2020

Name of Educational Institution Rialto High School

**Location of Educational Institution** Rialto, California

Grade Point Average (GPA) Type

Weighted

Grade Point Average (GPA) 4.67

Intended College / University Stanford University

Intended Major Environmental Studies/Human Earth Systems

## **Activities & Interests**

A) List and Briefly Describe Your Extracurricular Activities (e.g., Memberships in Groups, Sports, etc.):

Organization	Position Held	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
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Organization	Position Held	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
Mock Trial	Captain/Presi dent	08/2016 to 05/2020
Academic Decathlon	Captain/Presi dent	08/2016 to 05/2020
Chemistry Outreach Club	President	08/2018 to 06/2019
California Scholarship Federation	Treasurer	08/2018 to 05/2020

#### **Description of Responsibilities:**

I ful. Iled many roles in Mock Trial including head counselor, expert witness, defendant, and pre-trial attorney. In Academic Decathlon, I competed in my school's varsity team in the highest GPA category and set a school record at the county competition. As captain of both Mock Trial and Academic Decathlon, I oversaw finances, taught lessons, delegated team roles, and organized meetings. In Chemistry Outreach Club, I tutored lower division chemistry students as I was currently taking AP Chemistry. California Scholarship Federation(CSF) is a very active club on campus and we are involved in community service, school spirit, and fundraising. As treasurer of CSF, I took care of the finances and coordinated with the school's budget and ASB clerks.

B) List and Briefly Describe Volunteer Activities in Which You Have Been Involved:

Organization	Activity	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
Keep Riverside Clean and Beautiful	Beautification Projects	10/2018 to 5/2019
Garcia Elementary School	Aide	9/2019 to 5/2019
Rialto High School	Tutor	08/2018 to 02/2020

## **Brief Description of Your Participation:**

I worked in the city of Riverside to help clean up trash from the Santa Ana River banks and paint over graffiti under the highway pass. I often helped my past teachers from Garcia Elementary during Saturday school and assisted students with art projects and writing assignments. At Rialto High School, I devoted much of my time after school helping my peers with chemistry, biology, physics, history, and government.

C) List Honors or Academic Awards You Have Received (e.g., Scholarly Activities, Research, etc.):

Organization	Award / Honor	M M/ YY YY
Rialto High School	Valedictorian	05 /2 02 0

Organization	Award / Honor	M M/ YY YY
Jack Kent Cooke Foundation	Jack Kent Cooke National Semifinalist	01 /2 02 0
San Bernardino Academic Decathlon	Top Scoring Student	01 /2 02 0
San Bernardino Mock Trial	Best Defense Witness, Best Prosecution Attorney, Civility and Advocacy Award	12 /2 01 9
IERCD	Third Place Speech	10 /2 01 9
San Bernardino Academic Decathlon	First Place Speech	02 /2 01 9
San Bernardino Mock Trial	Best Prosecution Attorney, Best Defense Pretrial Attorney	12 /2 01 9
San Bernardino Mock Trial	Coaches Award MVP, Best Prosecution Attorney	12 /2 01 8
Toastmasters Vernon Bragg Jr.	First Place Speech	09 /2 01 7
San Bernardino Mock Trial	Best Prosecution Witness	12 /2 01 7

# D) List and Briefly Describe Any Work Experience:

Organization	Position Held	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
Rialto City Hall	Mayor's Assistant	06/2019 - 09/2019
University of California, Riverside	Research Intern	06/2017 - 08/2019

#### **Brief Description of Your Work Responsibilities:**

At Rialto City Hall, I conducted research concerning water quality issues and a historic lake. I attended the inaugural National Mayor's Youth Summit to advocate for and learn about the inclusion of the youth task force into local politics. I worked closely with the Mayor to help organize our first ever youth council.

At UCR, I worked with Dr. Ruoxue Yan and a master's fellow on the project, "Development of a Novel-Scheme Nano-optical Chemical Imaging Spectroscopy." I synthesized silver nanoparticles and identified ideal parameters for curating a sample of uniform nanocubes.

To the best of my knowledge, the contents of my application are accurate and I am authorized to work in the United States.†

Agree

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Not too long ago, the US Military and several fireworks companies were held responsible for contaminating my city's central source of water with chemical contaminants that are known for causing thyroid and kidney cancer. I researched this issue with my city Mayor. I visited my local water filtration facility to learn about how our drinking water was processed, collected historical records of perchlorate and trichloroethylene concentrations in my city's water supply, and gathered individual stories from constituents who claim to have been affected by the contamination. These stories were frightening. Thyroid cancer, kidney cancer, miscarriages, and many other illnesses that were inconsistent with family health history. To my surprise, however, the California Department of Public Health declared that there was no apparent correlation between the highly concentrated contaminants in the drinking water and the health issues being reported.

It doesn't take a catastrophe like the one in my city to see the dangers of unethical environmental practices on public health. We are living in a catastrophe every day. Toxic air pollutants, carcinogen infested produce, constant exposure to harsh chemicals – we live with these things every single day and we barely even pay them any attention, yet they are slowly eating away at our wellbeing. They are the reason why the majority of students at my school suffer from asthma, eczema, and acute food and seasonal allergies. They are the reason why more children in low-income communities are admitted to the hospital for asthma attacks than those in affluent communities. They are the reason why low- and middle-income countries struggle every day to find clean and safe drinking water. It is unfair that issues concerning public health, socioeconomics, and civil liberties are amplified by this environmental crisis. The

leadership in this country and on the planet need to own up to the catastrophe that generations of humans have proliferated and put immediate action to address the climate emergency.

On a local scale, I have put in the effort to make an impact in my community. I organized a competition with the goal of increasing environmental literacy within my school district. I have delivered public presentations on the importance of preserving biodiversity. I have dedicated time and energy to cleaning out the Santa Ana River and California beaches. However, beyond these local efforts to alleviate environmental conditions, I want to address the problem on a larger scale. It is for this reason that I look forward to studying the ins-and-outs of environmental policy and the minutiae of natural sciences, the depths of the environmental economy and the networks that compose ecosystems. It is with these tools that I may properly and adequately pursue political and legal action to eliminate the human impact on the diminishing health of Mother Earth. But the reason why I passionately desire to advocate for environmental justice is not solely because of the deteriorating condition of our only home, but also because environmental injustice has a broad effect on many societal ills. We need big structural change in our government to tackle the climate emergency to the fullest and I plan to be at the forefront of this change. I aspire to be a voice for our deteriorating Earth, representation for our suffering biota, and advocate for the human rights that have been wrongly violated by the anthropogenic effects on the planet.



## **RIALTO HIGH SCHOOL**

#### a California Distinguished School

October 21, 2019

#### To Whom It May Concern:

It is with great pleasure that I write this letter on behalf of . I have known since freshmen year when was a member of the Academic Decathlon team and I was a co-advisor for the class. Since then I have had the pleasure of having in my class for the last two years, both in Academic Decathlon and AP Physics C Mechanics. Over my twelve years of teaching at Rialto High School, stands out as one of the most exceptional students due to extraordinary intelligence, leadership and initiative.

As a student in Academic Decathlon. contributions have been enormous and go far beyond what would appear on a score has a natural ability for leadership which consists of holding everyone, including , to the highest standards, and an aptitude for communication that engages those around . As a student in Academic Decathlon last year, prepare a lesson for a Saturday morning on basic music theory and the theme, characteristics, and background of one of the pieces of music students were responsible to learn about. The feedback for the lesson that I received from peers was extremely positive, with many stating that they had learned more about music in that single Saturday than in the several weeks prior. As a leadership on this occasion along with many others, it became clear that would become Rialto High School's next Academic Decathlon captain. Over the course of this school year, has excelled in role as captain by designing group activities for students to learn about economics and poetry, developing a class calendar for each day's activities and homework, and recruiting middle school math teacher to teach the class trigonometry.

Outside of Academic Decathlon, has demonstrated an unmatched ability to take initiative and lead. is widely known on campus as a voice on the morning announcements where helps promote school events and programs. After school can be found leading the Mock Trial team in their preparations for competitions, or assisting one of the many other clubs of which is an active member. Yet, beyond remarkable capacity for managing all these clubs while succeeding in a very challenging class schedule, passion lies in promoting awareness about environmental issues and fostering a healthier relationship between human society and nature. Last year, paved own path in Rialto's history by founding Project Green, a local competition that encourages schools to strive for environmental sustainability.

I hope that the contents of this letter have made one thing obvious—

is truly an exceptional student. Over four years of high school, has done everything one could do to prepare himself for the future. What's more, has given so much of himself to this school and its surrounding community. It is with the utmost confidence that I submit this letter on behalf, as I am sure that will be an invaluable asset to your institution. If you should have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Julien Ansermet
AP Physics Teacher
Academic Decathlon Advisor
Science Department Co-Chair
janserme@rialto.k12.ca.us



## **RIALTO HIGH SCHOOL**

#### a California Distinguished School

February 09, 2020

To Whom It May Concern:

It is with great pleasure that I write this letter of recommendation on behalf of privilege of working with as AP US Government teacher and mentor. Is a first-generation student to attend college and it does not surprise me considering excellent work ethic and perseverance.

high school years are full of accomplishments including maintaining a 4.5 GPA and challenging with Honors and AP courses. In addition, has excelled as a lead attorney on the Mock Trial team which is a career hopes to pursue in the future. has also participated in "Project Green" whose main purpose was to implement an eco-friendly culture in the district. Due to contribution to this project, Rialto High School was among the 2019 Green Ribbon Award Winners. These achievements are a few among many others where has demonstrated leadership skills and ability to engage in extracurricular activities outside the classroom which are everlasting and impactful.

In my AP Government class, brought a breath of fresh air with engaging personality and excellent critical thinking skills. is extremely articulate when presenting ideas and excels above all my students when engaged in political debates. has an innate passion for learning and is purposeful actions and self-reflective with work. These qualities are what separates with from the rest of ability to excel in different platforms is surreal for a student classmates. age and for this I . All in all, definitely exemplifies the future leaders of have nicknamed him continued perseverance, unrelenting thirst for knowledge, and passion for social this country given and environmental justice.

Therefore, it is with great pleasure that I recommend for your program. definitely exemplifies the future leaders of this country given continued perseverance and passion for justice. I truly believe will be an asset to your educational organization and an excellent choice as a candidate. is committed to serving as a role model, and always goes above and beyond what is expected of has an engaging personality, excellent interpersonal skills and exceptionally talented. If you have any questions or would like further information, please do not hesitate to reach me at (909) 820-7777 ext. 25201 or via email at lcasarru@rialto.k12.ca.us.

Sincerely,

Liliana Casarrubias Social Sciences teacher

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## 2020 SCAG Scholarship Program - SB-505

## **Personal Information**

**Full Name** 

All items marked with \* are required.

**Address** 

County

San Bernardino

**Phone Number** 

E-mail

**Internship Availability** 

July 2020

August 2020

## **Educational Information**

**Current Educational Status** 

High School Senior

**Date of Graduation** 

Friday, June 12, 2020

Name of Educational Institution

Academy for Academic Excellence

**Location of Educational Institution** 

**United States** 

**Grade Point Average (GPA) Type** 

Unweighted

**Grade Point Average (GPA)** 

4.0

**Intended College / University** 

University of California, Los Angeles

Intended Major Pre-Public Affairs

## **Activities & Interests**

A) List and Briefly Describe Your Extracurricular Activities (e.g., Memberships in Groups, Sports, etc.):

Organization	Position Held	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
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Organization	Position Held	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
Associated Student Body	Student Body President	08/2016 to 05/2020
Student Ambassadors	Public Relations O. cial	08/2019 to 05/2020
PR and Marketing Intern	n/a	08/2019 to 05/2020
National Honors Society	Secretary	08/2016 to 05/2020
Health Occupations Students of America	Vice President	08/2016 to 05/2019
Mock Trial	Witness	08/2018 to 12/2018
Pay it Forward	Secretary	08/2016 to 05/2017
Students Run Los Angeles	Team Captain	08/2014 to 03/2020
Cross Country	n/a	08/2016 to 11/2019
Track and Field	Team Captain	02/2017 to 03/2020

#### **Description of Responsibilities:**

- As student body president I not only lead meetings and delegate the tasks to the class, but I ensure that the voices of my student body is heard. I actively engage with members of the student body who are typically underrepresented in school wide decisions. I build my platform on speaking for those who do not have a voice, so that the student body's collective spirit is lifted.
- As public relations official of the student ambassadors I have learned to speak confidently and eloquently to VIPs. I often work alongside the CEO of the Lewis Center for Educational Research to promote our school on various social platforms.
- -As a senior, I currently intern for my school's Public Information Officer. This career preparatory course is unique to me, for I am the first PR intern of the Lewis Center AAE. For one class period a day I shadow and assist the PIO in her everyday tasks; this includes social media networking and school related press releases. Although I am an intern, my specific role is to present a student perspective when helping to promote our school. This course offers me first-hand experience in the line of work I intend on pursuing.
- As secretary of the NHS, I log volunteer hours for the members of my current chapter. Additionally, I keep official paperwork organized, I contact local volunteer opportunities, and I lead the chapter when both the president and vice president are not present.
- -As vice president of HOSA for both my sophomore and junior years, I helped lead the president uphold

our chapter of HOSA's pillars: Service, Community, and Career Prep.

- As a witness role in Mock Trial I upheld collaboration in the team environment. I studied my role often to ensure that my team could rely on me to deliver a convincing performance.
- -As secretary of Pay It forward, I helped organize charity events and positivity rallies that spread kindness and happiness on and off campus.
- As team captain of SRLA, I spread important values throughout the team and mentor my fellow runners to run effectively and efficiently as we train to complete a full marathon.
- -In cross country I pushed myself individually to that my team as a whole could thrive.
- As team captain of the track and field team helped fellow teammates to find the events that fit them best and work hard often.

#### B) List and Briefly Describe Volunteer Activities in Which You Have Been Involved:

Organization	Activity	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
Apple Valley TeenZone	Teen Volunteer: Various	03/2019 to 12/2019
Newton T Bass Library Volunteer	Library Upkeep	03/2019 to 06/2019

#### **Brief Description of Your Participation:**

- -As a TeenZone volunteer of my local town hall, I volunteered my time organizing local events, aiding town officials with everyday business, and up-kept clerical paperwork.
- -As a library volunteer I often helped in workshops that encouraged young children to read more often. I also precisely organized the shelves in order to ensure that visitors would have the easiest time finding what they seek.
- -As a volunteer at PCPT, I undertake various tasks that prepare me for the workforce. These tasks include answering phone calls, preparing work stations, and operating the front desk.
- C) List Honors or Academic Awards You Have Received (e.g., Scholarly Activities, Research, etc.):

Organization	Award / Honor	MM/YYYY
Lewis Center for Educational Research	Class Valedictorian	04/2020
Lewis Center for Educational Research	Rick Piercy Legacy	07/2019
Lewis Center for Educational Research	Scholar Athlete	07/2017, 18, 19
Lewis Center for Educational Research	Principal's Honor Roll	07/2017, 18, 19
Cross Valley League	Scholar Athlete	07/2017, 18, 19
Cross Valley League	Cross Country 2nd Team	07/2017

To the best of my knowledge, the contents of my application are accurate and I am authorized to work in the United States.†

Agree

Southern California Association of Governments 08 May 2020

Everyday in AP Government, my teacher addressed the current social and political events of the world. One day, she described how interracial and LGBT family representation might be added to the California curricumlum. I pitched in my two cents of how I believe society should normalize unconventional families from a young age. To my surprise, the boy next to me snarkily responds: "Well kids are going to be exposed to drugs, why not put *that* in the curriculum too." His comment sparked a vehement debate. These heated discussions were not uncommon.

Growing up in a predominantly white, conservative town, my political views were largely influenced by the people around me. My town's demographic obscured my young mind from exploring civic policy from various viewpoints. After being exposed to the harsh realities of the urban world, I knew that my purpose in life was to improve it. It is often easier to turn a blind-eye to the socioeconomic disparities of society. Regardless, my mindset has shifted to assess real world problems. I enrich my mind by studying policies that affect real-life people, the same issues that my sheltered town attempted to hide from me. These include abortion, capital punishment, drug decriminalization, and immigration. Over time I have developed my own, individualized stances on these urgent issues.

Learning how to enact positive change on society through service inspires me to stand up for the policies I believe in. I have learned to be a contributing citizen by voting, respecting our earth, and educating myself before entering into a political conversation. I now actively participate in various activism groups that align with my values; these are few of many things that demonstrate my interests.

Throughout high school I have worked tirelessly to prepare myself for a future of positive change. While maintaining stellar academics, I've demonstrated flexibility and leadership in various extracurriculars. I actively exercise my passion for government and policy making by serving as student body president of my high school. With this platform I echo the voices of my

peers to the administration to ensure that the student body is well represented. Additionally, I have served as the public affairs official of numerous clubs to expand my interests. Recently, I have been honored with the recognition of class Valedictorian; for my persistence in the classroom and my boundless dedication to my passions.

During my senior year I have expanded this passion by researching political activist organizations. I dedicated a year-long Research topic to studying and creating the advancement tactics of activism groups through policy making. I hope to one day reform policies first hand by lobbying my ideologies to government officials.

In the fall of 2020, I will attend the University of California, Los Angeles with the major of Pre-Public Affairs. I have chosen this field of study because its content is spearheaded by positive change. To attend college at my dream school, in my dream city, towards my dream career is surreal. It is the culmination of all my hard work thus far. Receiving an internship and scholarship opportunity from the Southern California Association of Governments would further enrich my experience as I enter into the field of positive policy change. If chosen, I will represent this organization with integrity and determination.

To Whom It May Concern,

It is a great pleasure to recommend for this scholarship.

is one of the most exceptional students that I have encountered in my 19 years of teaching. I have had the pleasure of being Integrated Math 1 Honors and Integrated Math 2 Honors teacher. During this time, I have discovered what a talented and dedicated student is. is punctual, eager to learn, intuitive and sincere. asks pertinent questions, is a team player and is always willing to go the extra mile to achieve greatness. All these attributes have contributed to her success in my rigorous, college preparatory course. academic success is not limited to my classroom. Overall, is an excellent student.

has received Principal's Honor Roll Recognition and is a member of the National Honor Society. also received a commendation from the Town of Apple Valley for participation in its Youth Leadership Summit.

Aside from academics, is involved in several extra-curricular activities. Currently, is a member of the Associated Student Body (ASB), and the Ambassadors, where holds the position of Student Body President and public relations official, respectively. Other notable appointments include, Vice President of the HOSA Club and secretary of the Pay it Forward and College Clubs. also plays several sports for AAE. is a member of the varsity cross country and track and field teams. One of greatest accomplishments is being a 6-time participant in the LA Marathon as part of the Students Run LA (SRLA) club.

also contributes to the community in which resides. volunteers at Power Center Physical Therapy where duties include clerical work, prepping and cleaning patient areas and customer service. In addition to numerous activities, also donates her time to AAE and its teachers by helping them organize their classroom and tutoring those in need.

has my highest recommendation for this scholarship. is well respected within the school atmosphere, and has demonstrated excellence in all that puts mind to, whether it's volunteering within the community, collaborating with others, or maintaining stellar academic record. compassion, personable demeanor and willingness to work with others to achieve a greater goal, leads me to believe that is an excellent candidate for this honor.

Sincerely,

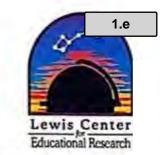
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**Mathematics Teacher** 

Academy for Academic Excellence

## Lewis Center for Educational Research Academy for Academic Excellence

17500 Mana Road Apple Valley, CA 92307 http://www.lewiscenter.org 760-946-5414 ext. 224 dmyers/alcer.org



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To Whom It May Concern:

it is my honor to write to you today on behalf of . I have known for the last 8 years and it has been amazing to watch mature into the determined, respectable and honorable that is today. Students with great character stand out, even at a school where most are exceptional. This page is not adequate enough space to describe the character of

determination to help others and willingness to set an example of kindness and caring has not gone is organized, a person of word, dependable and always willing to serve and take on new challenges with an optimistic outlook. A natural leader, ability to motivate others has demonstrated daily to work harder, take on the task at hand and put service to others before self. resume reflects many interests and leadership positions throughout high school career and I can personally say excels at everything is a continual member of National Honor Society and Principal's Honor Roll. I have helped coach attempts. our Students Run the LA Marathon Team and has run the LA Marathon 5 times. trains and runs just lives; happy, consistent and encourages others all along the way. is simply a joy to be associated with.

I have the opportunity and privilege to work with students of all ages at the Academy for Academic Excellence and is an "Outstanding Student and Citizen." is a leader to her peers because of respect of others, great attitude and a willingness to help wherever is needed. I have witnessed that has great relationships with classmates and the faculty at the school. is quite an impressive young and I enjoy interacting with on a daily basis. is an encouragement to everyone and every path crosses. A person can always count on to be a breath of fresh nir with contagious smile and genuine kind and caring spirit.

When I think of these words come to mind; determined, exceptional hard worker, dependable, athletic, honest, humble, perseverance, great attitude, integrity, independent thinker and great character. is somewhat quiet in nature yet determination and character is unmatched by others age, is very caring and passionate in the things believes in. demonstrates a hard work ethic and is helpful when called upon. handles stress exceptionally well and just keeps working with a smile on face until the task is completed, no matter the cost.

I highly recommend in whatever may seek. is intelligent, adaptable and a quick learner. has integrity and is honorable. I promise you, you will not be disappointed in this young hesitation recommending to you or talking to you more about Thank you for helping our future leaders and citizens fulfill their dreams. is truly "one of a kind!"

Sincerely

Dana Myers

Transition Coordinator and HOSA Co-Advisor

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71160	PH	Intro to Lit H	A+	5.00	5.00
72115	PH	Integ Math 1 H	Α	5.00	5.00
73112	PH	Integ Sci 1 H	A+	5.00	5.00
75110	Р	Spanish I	Α	5.00	5.00
77120		General PE	Α	5.00	5.00
79310		ASB	Α	5.00	5.00
79840		HOSA HR	CR	2.50	2.50
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73112	PH	Integ Sci 1 H	A+	5.00	5.00
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73122		Integ Sci 2 H	A+	5.00	5.00
74265	AP	AP World Hist	A	5.00	5.00
75120	P	Spanish II	A	5.00	5.00
79310	•	ASB	A	5.00	5.00
79845		11th Gr Homeroom	CR	2.50	2.50
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75120	Р	Spanish II	Α	5.00	5.00
79310		ASB	Α	5.00	5.00
79845		11th Gr Homeroom	CR	2.50	2.50
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77101		Physical Education I	A+	5.00	5.00
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71360	ΑP	AP Engl Lang	Α	5.00	5.00
72135	PH	Integ Math 3 H	Α	5.00	5.00
73132	PH	Integ Sci 3 H	A+	5.00	5.00
74360	AP	AP US History	A-	5.00	5.00
75550	AP	AP Seminar	A-	5.00	5.00
79310		ASB	Α	5.00	5.00
79845		11th Gr Homeroom	CR	2.50	2.50
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79813		Public Relations Intern	Α	5.00	5.00
79846		12th Gr Homeroom	CR	2.50	2.50
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79813		Public Relations Intern	Α	5.00	5.00
79846		12th Gr Homeroom	CR	2.50	2.50
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75555	AP	AP Research		5.00	(5.00)
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Total GPA 9-12 Wt	4.65			

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GPA	4.649	
Rank	3/71	

Graduation				
Graduation Requirement Year	2020			
Grad. / Cert. Date	2020-06-12			
Grad. / Cert. Status				
Service Learning Hours				

Credits in parentheses are in progress H = Honors A = AP P = College Prep

R = Has Been Repeated

Graduation Requirement Year

Parent / Guardian

School Officials signature: Date:\_

## 2020 SCAG Scholarship Program - SB-506

## **Personal Information**

**Full Name** 

All items marked with \* are required.

**Address** 

**County** San Bernardino

**Phone Number** 

E-mail

Internship Availability

July 2020

August 2020

September 2020

## **Educational Information**

Current Educational Status High School Senior

**Date of Graduation** Tuesday, May 26, 2020

Name of Educational Institution Ruben S. Ayala High School

**Location of Educational Institution** Chino Hills, CA

Grade Point Average (GPA) Type

Unweighted

**Grade Point Average (GPA)** 3.96

Intended College / University University of California-Los Angeles

Intended Major Political Science and Economics

## **Activities & Interests**

A) List and Briefly Describe Your Extracurricular Activities (e.g., Memberships in Groups, Sports, etc.):

Organization	Position Held	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
		Packet Pg.

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Organization	Position Held	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
Ayala Band and Color guard (BAC)	Drum Major	06/2016- 05/2020
Ayala Wind Ensemble	Clarinet Player	06/2018- 05/2020
Model United Nations (MUN)	Member	08/2016- 05/2020
Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA)	Membership O. cer	08/2017- 05/2019
Music Volunteer Club	Vice President/Cofo under	08/2017- 05/2020
National Honors Society	Treasurer	08/2018- 05/2020

#### **Description of Responsibilities:**

#### Ayala BAC:

Motivated/conducted 220+ students to win Bands of America (BOA) Regional Championships in Utah and California. 2nd place Western Bands Association State Championships. Lead BAC to BOA Grand National Championships in Indianapolis as only group representing California. Became finalist (12 out of 91) for 3rd time in school history. Lead rehearsals, conducted monthly leadership team meetings, organized/hosted bonding events.

#### Ayala Wind Ensemble:

Auditioned for membership, plays second clarinet part. Performs collegiate repertoire and advanced wind concert music. Consistently earns unanimous "Superior" (highest) marks at local and state festivals/music contests. Was scheduled to perform/compete in Carnegie Hall, New York, March 2020 but canceled due to Covid-19.

#### Model United Nations:

Researches current global events, writes position papers on each topic based off of an assigned country's government system and its values, proposes mock solutions to other countries through security councils, practices compromises and drafts proposals with other delegates. Won Commendation Award representing Ethiopia 2018.

#### Future Business Leaders of America:

Organized club bonding events (ex. banquet) recorded membership hours, relayed member needs to officers; completes projects to promote personal health (FBLA Stays Fit) and business leadership research awards (Business Achievement Awards); won Intro to Public Speaking Award 2018.

#### Music Volunteer Club:

Created club that teaches musical instruments to children in local community. Established 5 locations in elementary/middle schools, and Youth and Family Club of Pomona Valley. Recruits other high schoolers to find volunteer opportunities as instructors. As Vice President: Updates members' volunteer hours, communicates with our feeder middle school, and responsible for promoting the club.

#### National Honors Society:

Maintains finances of the club by collecting money, writing checks, budgeting money towards membership fees and stoles. Organizes club meetings with advisor and president. Responsible for

member recruitment.

#### B) List and Briefly Describe Volunteer Activities in Which You Have Been Involved:

Organization	Activity	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
San Antonio	Junior Volunteer	08/2016-
Regional Hospital	Program	05/2020
Chino Valley Unified	Elementary School	08/2016-
School District	Debate Program	05/2020

#### **Brief Description of Your Participation:**

San Antonio Regional Hospital:

The Junior Volunteer Program is an opportunity for high school students to experience the inner workings of a hospital, while giving back to their community. All Junior Volunteers complete 100 hours of volunteer service between September and May.

As Shift Leader: advises new volunteers and shows inter workings of the hospital. Communicates with volunteer coordinator concerns/questions of other volunteers. Responsible for checking in on volunteers to make sure shifts went well.

As Emergency Department volunteer: Runs errands for nurses/security team. Ex. runs samples to lab, checks visitors in. Aids patients in whatever assistance is needed. Ex. pushing wheelchairs, cleaning rooms, getting food, showing directions.

#### CVUSD Debate Program Judge:

Scores and determines results of a 2-round prepared topic + 1 impromptu round, gives students feedback on debate skills and speaking styles, coaches them in how they can improve. Promotes positive public speaking experiences through encouragement and advice.

C) List Honors or Academic Awards You Have Received (e.g., Scholarly Activities, Research, etc.):

Organization	Award / Honor	MM/Y YYY
Ayala High	Renaissance Most Inspirational	08/20
School	Scholar of the Year	17

# D) List and Briefly Describe Any Work Experience:

Organization	Position Held	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
Kumon Math and Reading Center-Chino	Grader	04/2017- 05/2020

#### **Brief Description of Your Work Responsibilities:**

Kumon Math and Reading Center Grader:

The main priority of my job is to grade the packets of worksheets that the students complete for homework and classwork. When I am not doing that, I will do any miscellaneous job, such as stacking boxes, filing worksheets, or stapling packets together. I am constantly interacting with the children, however, as I help the kids learn the material that they struggle with as I get my other tasks done.

To the best of my knowledge, the contents of my application are accurate and I am authorized to work in the United States.†

Agree

#### **SGAC Scholarship Essay**

Throughout the majority of my experiences as a student the past thirteen years, I was always drawn to the subject of political history. I was always captivated by history and its study of how humanity comes together to find common purpose and community. How were we able to create one of the most successful nations in the world with one of the biggest economies? I always accredited the answer to that question to macro scale politics and government- a common mistake- until I met Peter Rogers.

When I was fourteen-years-old, I invited Mr. Rogers, a councilman for the city of Chino Hills, to speak to the Future Business Leaders of America club at Canyon Hills Junior High. As a small business owner and a member of my local government, he shared how his duties as a government official made the lives of thousands of citizens more meaningful; furthermore, how he is able to contribute to the idea of the "American dream" by supporting the businesses of Chino Hills. It was then when I realized how services I have always taken for granted: water facilities, sewer maintenance, road rehabilitation, school systems, and public safety programsjust to name a few- add so much to our quality of life without us realizing. He explained how the services that seem so simple, were in fact, complex in nature. Managing budgets and delegating fundings, listening to concerned citizens, and communicating with the many small businesses of Chino Hills was not as easy as I originally thought. Through the sheer amount of manpower and dedication that is required to run a city of 80,0000 citizens, I learned from Mr. Rogers how to appreciate the grassroots of our country: the workers of our local community.

Since then, I have had many opportunities to further my interest in understanding the inner workings of regional leadership. I had the opportunity to talk to the mayor of Chino Hills, Cynthia Moran, and learned from her valuable insight into how the politics of my city worked. This past summer, I interviewed a female attorney who uses her passion for politics to organize the Democrat Convention in Minnesota. Another woman I talked with had a career opportunity to become a District Attorney. I was inspired by how they could turn their political passions into concrete actions that make a difference in society.

These past few months in particular have the majority of Americans turning to their local government in search for robust leadership and support in face of the Covid-19 pandemic. The active communication between my community leaders with the state and federal powers makes me appreciate the city's swift actions in response to the national crisis. It is inspiring to tangibly observe how a community of people is able to protect healthcare workers, band together to support local businesses, and comfort each other during this unprecedented time. I have learned that no matter how large or small an issue is, local government takes the first responsibility in restoring the community around them.

I want to be a part of the solution in my community by becoming a local government lawyer, where I will be able to collaborate with council employees in the legal preparation of policies and strategic planning through litigation. In doing so, I hope to use my skills in debate and public speaking to facilitate the decisions of my local government and positively impact the members of my community so that they can trust their city for protection and reassurance that their lives will be supported in all aspects.

# Ayala High School Band and Color Guard

14255 Peyton Road

Chíno Hills, Californía 91709

909 627-3584 X2212

Shant Keuroghelían, Assistant Director of Bands

May 5, 2020

To Southern California Association of Governments:

It is with great pleasure I write this letter of recommendation for

I have known for three years as a member of my band program at Ayala High School. has always distinguished from peers with dedication, commitment, talent and work ethic. Despite the high demands and expectations our music department places on a member, has been able to maintain impressive 4.33 GPA through rigorous A.P. classes and participate in a multitude of other activities.

has been a volunteer at San Antonio Regional Hospital's Junior Volunteer
Program for the last four years, involved with Future Business Leaders of America, a
member of Model United Nations throughout all of high school, a volunteer as a debate
judge for the CVUSD elementary school debate program over the past four years, and is
currently employed at Kumon, a tutoring center, located in Chino, CA. has held
many leadership positions in my program and has established as a motivated 'selfstarter' who is able to lead peers in a very positive and productive manner.

plays Clarinet extremely well in our top Wind Ensemble. In addition to the Wind Ensemble, was a member of the Marching Band for four years ending tenure as Drum Major for three consecutive years. A Drum Major is the highest leadership position a student can hold and is responsible for helping communication, verbally and musically, between staff and 220 students.

is also able to establish and accomplish goals on the highest level.
positive individual and has always been a pleasure to have in my program.
will be missed when graduates.

Because of these characteristics, I can easily give my **highest recommendation**. I have the greatest confidence in ability to succeed in any endeavor chooses and will be extremely successful in any university/college attends and is a perfect recipient of this scholarship.

If I can be of any more service, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Yours truly,

Shant Keuroghelian



## Ruben S. Ayala High School

14255 Peyton Drive Chino Hills, CA 91709 (909) 627-3584 (909) 548-6005 FAX



2011 California Distinguished High

School

JOHNLANDERS, Assistant Principal

#### 2015 California Gold Ribbon School

DIANA YARBOI, Principal

LINDA MACKESSY, Assistant Principal

CHRISTINE BAKER, Assistant Principal

May 6, 2020

## To Whom It May Concern:

It is with great pleasure that I write this letter of recommendation for . As a student in my class for 2 years, I have found to be intelligent, hard-working, humble, and honest. has a thirst for knowledge which is strengthened by determination and perseverance. As teacher, I have seen displays of talent and work ethic. is a dedicated student who has highly attuned critical thinking skills and is an effective problem solver. actively participates in class discussions and asks has a firm understanding of concepts. questions to ensure works well with peers and does not hesitate to help them when needed. academic and personal is committed to her education and will work hard to achieve achievements show that has the determination, maturity, and intelligence to succeed in any endeavor her goals. and always maintains a positive attitude.

truly is an impressive student who actively seeks new opportunities and experiences. has my highest recommendation for the SCAG Scholarship Program. has demonstrated excellence in all that puts her mind to. performance in my class leads me to believe there will be no limit to her growth and achievements in the future. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you,

Jacqueline Saiid

**Mathematics Teacher** 

Ruben S. Ayala High School

Jacqueline\_Saiid@chino.k12.ca.us

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# SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

**ATTACHMENT 6** 

VENTURA COUNTY APPLICATIONS: 601, 602

## 2020 SCAG Scholarship Program - VC-601

## **Personal Information**

**Full Name** 

All items marked with \* are required.

**Address** 

County

**Phone Number** 

E-mail

Internship Availability July 2020

## **Educational Information**

Current Educational Status
High School Senior

**Date of Graduation** Thursday, June 11, 2020

Name of Educational Institution Thousand Oaks High School

**Location of Educational Institution** Thousand Oaks , CA

Grade Point Average (GPA) Type Weighted

Grade Point Average (GPA) 4.63

Intended College / University University of Wisconsin-Madison

Intended Major Legal Studies

## **Activities & Interests**

A) List and Briefly Describe Your Extracurricular Activities (e.g., Memberships in Groups, Sports, etc.):

Position Held	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY

Organization	Position Held	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
Thousand Oaks High School Varsity	Captai n	08/2018- 03/2020
Thousand Oaks High School	Player	08/2016- 03/2020
	Captai n	09/2014- 04/2020
Thousand Oaks High School	Player	08/2016- 06/2019
The Center for Advanced Studies and Research	Memb er	08/2017- 06/2020

#### **Description of Responsibilities:**

As the Thousand Oaks High School Varsity captain, I coordinated with our head coach with practice plans and the needs of the term for two years which contributed to playoff births. I also led stretches and acted as a leader to the younger, underclassmen the team was primarily composed of. Through I acted as a captain for several years of team involvement, and I was tasked with balancing several different personalities to establish an effective team strategy with the aid of our trainer. As a member of the Center for Advanced Studies and Research, I underwent an admittance process, conducted college level research in ful. Ilment of the AP Capstone diploma, and conducted an individual research project.

B) List and Briefly Describe Volunteer Activities in Which You Have Been Involved:

Organization	Activity	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
Dream Catchers	Club	08/2018-04/2020
Brain Connection Tutoring	Club	09/2019-04/2020
Outdoor School	Counselor	02/24/2020- 02/28/2020
Reuben Castro Charities	Volunteer Aid	08/2016-06/2018

## **Brief Description of Your Participation:**

Through Dream Catchers club, a branch of the national organization, I served as a member of students who granted small dreams to hospice patients. In other words, I helped organize and visit the people upon receiving a smaller scale "Make a Wish." In Brain Connection tutoring, I tutored Elementary school students every Wednesday at Wildwood Elementary school. At Outdoor School I served as counselor which consisted of taking care of middle school and make sure they behaved, arrived on time to meals, and make sure they were safe. Through Reuben Castro Charities, I contributed through aiding in their Saturday meal pickups as well as participating in their annual 5k run.

C) List Honors or Academic Awards You Have Received (e.g., Scholarly Activities, Research, etc.):

Organization	Award / Honor	MM/YYYY
Scholar Athlete	Award	03/2017, 2018, 2019, 2020
AP Capstone	Honor	06/2020
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Organization	Award / Honor	MM/YYYY	
Soccer Valedictorian	Award	03/2020	

#### D) List and Briefly Describe Any Work **Experience:**

Organization	Position Held	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
Thousand Oaks		03/2014- 07/2018
Ceiling Sport	Recall Order Manufacturer	07/2019- 10/2019
Conejo Recreation and Park Department	Field Monitor/Scorek eeper	06/2019- Current
TO Student Tutoring	Tutor	09/2019- 04/2020

#### **Brief Description of Your Work Responsibilities:**

As a youth for Thousand Oaks , I was required to youth baseball as well as maintain and manage parent and coach conduct. Through Ceiling Sport, a small Amazon affiliate company, I was tasked with aiding in the labor intensive repair of recalled products that had been produced incorrectly overseas. At Conejo Recreation and Park Department, I am a field monitor/scorekeeper for the adult sports leagues which consists or reporting any injuries or incidents and preparing the necessary fields and equipment through set up and clean up. As a tutor for TO Student Tutoring, I tutored students of all ages in various classes and subjects for two to three hours a week.

To the best of my knowledge, the contents of my application are accurate and I am authorized to work in the United States.†

Agree

4/25/2020

#### SCAG Scholarship Essay

Public service provides an interesting opportunity: the ability to directly help the individuals of a community. Unlike many career pathways, where interaction with the public is often limited, public service and public policy involvement provide the opportunity to directly impact the lives of everyone whether it be locally or nationally. Furthermore, public service operates on a fine line between fulfilling a necessity and causing controversy, as some services are regarded as required by some citizens. This unique set of challenges entices me towards a career in public service, as it offers the opportunity to aid individuals in their everyday lives through the unique problem of serving the public: catering to everyone's needs.

As of now, I am currently undecided as to the exact career in public service I intend to pursue, however, I am considering legal and law enforcement careers including both public defender and FBI agent. In each line of work, my primary goal is to contribute to both public safety and development, as I intend to provide each individual and community with a safer environment to live in. Each line of work also offers potential research opportunities in which I would utilize efforts to develop the current law enforcement and or legal policy to adapt to the ever-changing circumstances the United States public undergoes. For instance, a primary career goal, whether it be actively or through research involvement, is to help define an effective method to prevent and reduce the increasing number of mass shootings that has recently plagued the United States. The current intention is to utilize an approach involving our current

understanding of serial killers, a more researched field, and identify whether similar detectors and preventions would be applicable to the mass shooter. The concept requires significant research and may not provide any sound solution, but I am eager to tackle a problem that has caused significant public upheaval and demand for action amongst government officials and law enforcement.

My interest in public service also stems from the ability to produce tangible action and results within a community, state, and or country. Unlike producing a product or providing a service through business means, public service is a career pathway characterized by its ability to provide betterment to society. Despite many public service workers operating on precedent or the established social order, I intend to advocate and enact new legal or law enforcement policies when development is necessary. Through a mixture of upholding existing laws and policies and advocating for new, additional policies, I intend upon improving the efficiency of the judicial system and or law enforcement. Further, I will act in the favor of the public not through political affiliation, but, rather, through the pressing needs of the people I serve with my career. My intentions are simply to maintain public order and further contribute to the health and safety of American people. I intend to do so through action, research, and voicing my opinion on solutions to problems concerning the public. Public service is an opportunity to provide solutions that concern all Americans, and all I aim to do is solve them in the most effective manner.

March 15, 2020

To Whom It May Concern:

It is my pleasure to write a letter in support of application for your scholarship. In the time I have known , consistently makes mark as an intelligent, observant, persistent, and quick-witted young person. will surely thrive in college, making the most of college experience and becoming a real asset to campus community in the process.

easily grasps complicated concepts that many is extremely observant and intelligent. of peers struggle with. is able to synthesize observations into higher level connections regarding complex political concepts like the relationships between constitutional rights, the formation of interest groups, and an individual's sense of political efficacy. also gifted at expressing understanding to others. writes with a great deal of clarity. ability to express concepts verbally, often infused with sharp wit, makes a real asset to any group presentation or class discussion. In other words, is not only able to understand a great deal of challenging content, is also able to effectively communicate this understanding to both teachers and his peers.

work ethic and natural curiosity help make the most of intelligence and communication skills. sincerity and dedication earn a great deal of respect from both teachers and peers, but it is positive outlook and enthusiastic approach to life that serve best in getting along with others. seeks to make friends across the social spectrum, and is quite comfortable in a variety of social settings.

This comes easily to because has such a wide variety of passions and interests. These skills and range of interests also serve well in academic life. Not only did do outstanding work in study of the connections between Frederic Wertheim's Seduction of the Innocent and postwar media regulation, served as a skilled advisor to many of peers in my AP Research class. Time and again, offered insights to other members of the class that proved invaluable to the improvement of their projects. demonstrated a great deal of maturity and resilience throughout the year, from the selection of topic through formal defense and the completion of academic paper.

It has been a joy to get to know over this past two years. seeks to get the most out of life and engage others in the process, something that I'm sure will serve well both in college, and throughout life. I am happy to recommend to you, confident in the good things that lie ahead for

Sincerely,

Krister Swanson, Ph.D. Social Studies Teacher Thousand Oaks High School Dear Committee Members,

I am writing on behalf of scholarship applicant , to whom I had the opportunity to teach AP Seminar in sophomore year and Advanced Placement U.S. History in junior year at Thousand Oaks High School. is a naturally bright and approaches work with a calm, steady confidence knowing is well prepared to achieve goal.

pursuit of learning is reflected through work within The Center for Advanced Studies and Research. As a "Center" student, spent the last two years honing the skills necessary to conduct research such as developing research questions, utilizing database and analyzing peerreviewed research articles. From wrote several papers which presented studies. argument as well as a solution to the proposal formulated to this research. presentation skills which helped defend these papers in front of academic panels as part of the sophomore year in AP Seminar, AP Capstone (AP Seminar and AP Research classes) program. researched the psychological impact of playing on turf for formerly injured high school soccer players and the ethics behind providing plastic surgery in the California prison population to reduce recidivism. Last year in AP Research, evaluated the influence and theories of psychiatrist Frederic Wertham on American Cold War society. In these two years, I have seen tremendously as a student and a person. While has always shown an interest in learning, gained confidence in ability and skills to conduct quality research and a maturity to present findings and ideas to a breadth of people.

Whether considering the impact of a free-market society on the consumer or the growth of presidential power in Modern America, interest in AP US History allowed our history remained relevant by tying events of the past to the present. assignments consistently provided thorough responses with well-developed analysis that went beyond just an answer from the text. While not the first to speak, listened intently to other viewpoints before adding thoughts. When did speak. demonstrated an understanding of the issue and articulated support or opposition to the issue at hand writing, such as comparing late 19th century immigration to current immigration, defended position well with sound, logical arguments supported by excellent research and analysis.

worked well in group projects as provided own ideas and listened to others. Through projects such as considering the effectiveness of various methods by African-American leaders during the Civil Rights movement, ensured the group's responses were accurate, insightful and persuasive. focus and initiative were reflective of work throughout the class, and whether group or individual work, exhibited a confidence in the subject knowledge.

A dual sport athlete, played soccer and with the same energy and determination has shown for classwork. moved through the ranks in the high school program and was a member of two league championship teams at the lower levels. play earned Defensive Player of the Year on the Frosh/Soph team. talents and contributions were recognized further on the was named Most Improved Player and earned a spot on the All-League and All-Varsity team as County teams. also made similar strides as a player within a highly competitive program. showed leadership and proved a valuable teammate with Not always a starter, constant chatter and encouragement. Although in season and training for much of the academic year, organizational skills and dedication allowed to maintain a high level of success in and out of the classroom.

is a conscientious, intelligent young whose achievements are a tribute to work ethic, open-mindedness and the demands and expectations sets for determination and persistence serve as a role model to others. has taken advantage of the many opportunities in life to grow into an independent and self-sufficient has shown a capacity for leadership and learning and is a worthy candidate for the SCAG Scholarship.

Sincerely,

Robert Haar AP Seminar, AP U.S. History Teacher Thousand Oaks High School

# Attachment: Ventura County Applications: 601, 602 (2020 SCAG Scholarship Program)

# Student Profile As of 3/9/2020

# Thousand Oaks High School

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S	D - Laboratory Science	20.0000	20.0000		<b>V</b>	
S	E - Foreign Language	20.0000	20.0000		<b>V</b>	
S	F - Visual and Performing Arts	10.0000	5.0000	5.0000	-	
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Year	Grade		Subject	Course	Mark	Credit	Teacher Name
2020	12	S1	English	AP English Lit/Comp	Acad: A	5.0000	McGinnis, Felix
2020	12	S1	Visual and Performing Arts	AP Art History	Acad: A+	5.0000	Smith, Holly
2020	12	S1	World Languages	Japanese 3 CP	Acad: A+	5.0000	Benioff, Kristin
2020	12	S1	American Political Systems	AP Government and Politics US	Acad: A	5.0000	Swanson, Jon
2020	12	S1	Physical Education	PE	Acad: A	5.0000	Bleiberg, Lura
2019	11	S1	Elective	AP Research	Acad: A	5.0000	Swanson, Jon
2019	11	S1	English	AP English Lang/Comp	Acad: A+	5.0000	Wood Glusac, Melissa
2019	11	S1	World Languages	Japanese 2 CP	Acad: A	5.0000	Benioff, Kristin
2019	11	S1	US History	AP US History	Acad: A-	5.0000	Haar, Robert
2019	11	S1	Mathematics	Math Analysis H	Acad: B-	5.0000	Lukes, Kylie
2019	11	S1	Physical Education	PE	Acad: A	5.0000	Bleiberg, Lura
2019	11	S1	Science - Biological	AP Biology	Acad: A	5.0000	Navarro, Dana
2019	11	S2	Elective	AP Research	Acad: A	5.0000	Swanson, Jon
2019	11	S2	English	AP English Lang/Comp	Acad: A+	5.0000	Wood Glusac, Melissa
2019	11	S2	World Languages	Japanese 2 CP	Acad: A	5.0000	Benioff, Kristin
2019	11	S2	US History	AP US History	Acad: A	5.0000	Haar, Robert
2019	11	S2	Mathematics	Math Analysis H	Acad: B-	5.0000	Lukes, Kylie
2019	11	S2	Physical Education	PE	Acad: A	5.0000	Stillwell, Rod
2019	11	S2	Science - Biological	AP Biology	Acad: A	5.0000	Navarro, Dana
2018	10	S1	Elective	AP Seminar	Acad: A	5.0000	Beaudoin, Tasha
2018	10	S1	English	English 10 H	Acad: A	5.0000	Cummings, Brian
2018	10	S1	World History	AP European History	Acad: A	5.0000	Corbett, James
2018	10	S1	Mathematics	Algebra 2 H	Acad: B-	5.0000	King, De Packet Pg. 2

# Attachment: Ventura County Applications: 601, 602 (2020 SCAG Scholarship Program)

# Student Profile As of 3/9/2020

### Thousand Oaks High School

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Year	Grade	Term	Subject	ubject Course		Credit	Teacher Name	
2018	10	S1	Physical Education	PE	Acad: A	5.0000	Leibin, Michael	
2018	10	S1	Science - Physical	Chemistry H	Acad: A-	5.0000	Frohn, Rhonda	
2018	10	S1	Social Science	AP Psychology	Acad: A	5.0000	Daigneault, Jordan	
2018	10	S2	Elective	AP Seminar	Acad: A	5.0000	Beaudoin, Tasha	
2018	10	S2	English	English 10 H	Acad: A	5.0000	Cummings, Brian	
2018	10	S2	World History	AP European History	Acad: A	5.0000	Corbett, James	
2018	10	S2	Mathematics	Algebra 2 H	Acad: B-	5.0000	King, Dennis	
2018	10	S2	Physical Education	PE	Acad: A	5.0000	Stillwell, Rod	
2018	10	S2	Science - Physical	Chemistry H	Acad: A-	5.0000	Frohn, Rhonda	
2018	10	S2	Social Science	AP Psychology	Acad: A	5.0000	Daigneault, Jordan	
2017	9	S1	English	English 9 H	Acad: A-	5.0000	Wohlstattar, Brinder	
2017	9	S1	World Languages	Japanese 1 CP	Acad: A+	5.0000	Benioff, Kristin	
2017	9	S1	Mathematics	Geometry H	Acad: C	5.0000	Park, James	
2017	9	S1	Physical Education	PE	Acad: A	5.0000	Leibin, Michael	
2017	9	S1	Science - Biological	Biology H	Acad: A	5.0000	Navarro, Dana	
2017	9	S1	Social Science	AP Human Geography	Acad: A	5.0000	McCann, Jeff	
2017	9	S2	English	English 9 H	Acad: A- Cit: E	5.0000	Wohlstattar, Brinder	
2017	9	S2	World Languages	Japanese 1 CP	Acad: A+	5.0000	Benioff, Kristin	
2017	9	S2	Mathematics	Geometry H	Acad: C+	5.0000	Park, James	
2017	9	S2	Physical Education	PE	Acad: A Cit: E	5.0000	Stillwell, Rod	
2017	9	S2	Science - Biological	Biology H	Acad: A Cit: E	5.0000	Navarro, Dana	
2017	9	S2	Social Science	AP Human Geography	Acad: A+ Cit: E	5.0000	McCann, Jeff	
2017	9	SS1	Health/Auto Safety	Health In Class	Acad: A		Sundberg, Krystle	
					Current School Credits Earned:			

# 2020 SCAG Scholarship Program - VC-602

## **Personal Information**

**Full Name** 

All items marked with \* are required.

**Address** 

County

**Phone Number** 

E-mail

Internship Availability July 2020 August 2020

## **Educational Information**

Current Educational Status
High School Senior

**Date of Graduation** Thursday, June 11, 2020

Name of Educational Institution Thousand Oaks High School

**Location of Educational Institution** Thousand Oaks, CA

Grade Point Average (GPA) Type

Unweighted

**Grade Point Average (GPA)** 4.0

Intended College / University University of California Irvine

Intended Major Civil Engineering

# **Activities & Interests**

A) List and Briefly Describe Your Extracurricular Activities (e.g., Memberships in Groups, Sports, etc.):

Organization	Position Held	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
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Organization	Position Held	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
TOHS Field Hockey	player and captain	08/2017 to 11/2020
TOHS Basketball	player and captain	05/2016 to 02/2019
TOHS Lacrosse	player and captain	02/2017 to 06/2020
TOHS Engineering Majors program	member	08/2017 to 06/2020
TOHS coding clubs	member	08/2018 to 06/2020
travel teams	player	08/2015 to 08/2018

### **Description of Responsibilities:**

Field hockey was introduced my sophomore year, and I joined the . rst year program with no experience. I was captain in both junior and senior year. Additionally, I was the speaking captain, the captain that represents the team in games. I was in charge of the team group chat, helped broaden the program by getting girls to join, and trained new players.

I was a starter all 3 years in basketball, and a captain for 1 year. I helped manage our team group chat and ran our warm ups.

I joined lacrosse without experience. I was on JV my first year and got pulled up to Varsity for playoffs. I made Varsity my second year and earned the Most Valuable Defensive Player award, one of two awards given by the coach. This year I was going to be captain but our season was ended due to COVID-19.

As a member of the Engineering Majors program offered to sophomores and older, I have learned about engineering careers through guest speakers and independent research. I have completed a culminating project at the end of each year including: building a bridge model, researching and presenting an engineering school, creating a original engineering design.

I was a member of for the year it was available at my school, learning about Computer Science fields and applying multiple coding languages to real life scenarios. Even though I was not an officer, I helped my friends in the club with their programs and understanding concepts. I used my experience, being enrolled in Computer Programming at the same time, to help teach those who did not have any experience. I continued my interest by taking AP Computer Science and joining the new group in my senior year.

I played from the age of 7 to 15. I played 3 years of travel and 1 year of high school. On my travel teams I was a starting pitcher and competed in the highest level national tournament, Premier Championship 2 out of 3 years. In high school I earned the Most Valuable Player award my freshman year.

B) List and Briefly Describe Volunteer Activities in Which You Have Been Involved:

	Activity	
Thousand Oaks	Association	volunteer

### **Brief Description of Your Participation:**

I worked at the snack shack, performed field maintenance, and helped run clinics and practices.

C) List Honors or Academic Awards You Have Received (e.g., Scholarly Activities, Research, etc.):

Organization	Award / Honor	MM/YYYY
TOHS	Valedictorian	05/2020
College Board	AP Scholar with Distinction Award	07/2019
California Department of Education	Seal of Biliteracy from the State of California	06/2020 (will be on diploma)
TOHS	Scholar Athlete Award	2016-2020 (every year)

D) List and Briefly Describe Any Work Experience:

Organization	Position Held	MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
Sushi Yusho		08/2018 to 03/2020
Burt's Pharmacy	file clerk	03/2018- current
Conejo Recreation and Parks District	intern	06/2019 to 07/2019

### **Brief Description of Your Work Responsibilities:**

I work on weekends to help during their busiest days. Because I am one of two and the staff is small, I not only take orders, serve food and drink, and ring up checks, I also serve as prepare foods and beverages, and bus tables.

I file prescriptions at the pharmacy and the company warehouse. Additionally, I help with the gift department when needed.

To the best of my knowledge, the contents of my application are accurate and I am authorized to work in the United States.†

Agree

Each time the door opens at Sushi Yusho, a bell rings, an ordinary occurrence that led to extraordinary results. After a bad Yelp review left by customers who went unnoticed because they were hidden behind the cash register wall, I realized that we needed a way to make the customers' presence more obvious. The next week, I added a bell to the door handle to prevent the situation from reoccurring and our response time immediately improved.

Throughout my career as a waitress, I have made an effort to find solutions to problems and enhance business; this became especially important to me because of the family-like relationship I have with my bosses. They are an elderly, immigrant Japanese couple, and the restaurant allows their daughter to attend medical school, reminding me of how my own grandparents worked after moving to the United States to fund my mother's education. Knowing that the education my mother received created the life of opportunity I have today, I strove to aid my bosses in any way possible.

Witnessing the highs and lows of their business: days where they were overworked, tired, and even in pain, but still managed to have friendly and welcoming demeanors, further inspired me to be the best employee I could. When my boss said her shoulder hurt from carrying heavy dishes, I would serve the heavier items for her and bus all the tables, letting her take orders instead. If they were having a stressful day, I would try to lighten the mood with jokes and took care of the maximum number of tables that is possible. And when business was slow, I would do preparation work to lessen their workload for the next day.

The aspect of developing mechanisms and strategies to enhance efficiency in although unrelated to science, gave me fulfillment. Knowing that my actions could help

maximize the potential of others and the systems around me sparked a feeling of purpose within; so when I discovered a passion for Physics, Calculus, and Computer Science in school, I realized that engineering could combine the aspirations I had acquired at work with principles of physics and mathematics. Unearthing the practical use of the laws of physics and how they control the behavior of everything the human race is capable of developing, opened my mind to the possibility of applying them to the innovation of society.

Although my career at Sushi Yusho is temporarily over due to COVID-19, college would be a pathway for me to further my knowledge in math and science and pursue a career in engineering that will allow me to support the future generations of my family and community. Additionally, because of my experiences, I understand the value of being able to attend college and the endless hours of work put in by parents to provide a better future for their children; which does not deserve to be wasted. Through higher education and ultimately a career in civil engineering, I hope to aid in projects that will provide wide-spread access to essential resources that many currently lack. Because the attainability of the American Dream is prevalent in my life and extremely important to me, I want to create a foundation for at least the quality of living of millions of people to start their journey to success.

Systems such as transportation, water sanitation, and the format of cities are all factors that inhibit many from being able to advance in social class and achieve their goals. Currently, I hope to get a master's degree and specialize in water resources in the future, but all of these structures interest me in my pursuit to create better equality of opportunity in our country.

Ultimately, a career in public works fulfills my desire to not only support my own community, but millions of others through creating the most efficient version of society where people can live harmoniously and equally.

January 14, 2020

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter of recommendation is for senior of Thousand Oaks High School. is currently enrolled in my AP Computer Science A class, but I've known since last year.

Last year, took my introduction to programming class, Computer Programming 1. This is when I became aware of interest in coding. During this time, demonstrated consistent work habits, persistency and attention to detail which are all important skills in a class like this. All of projects were thorough and well-designed. This year, continues to show growth in coding skills as learns a new programming language in my AP Computer Science A class.

is a well-rounded student who finds ways to balance academics with extra-curricular activities. Over the course of high school years, has participated in basketball and field hockey. has also worked part-time at a pharmacy and at a restaurant. On top of all that, does volunteer work to help children in sports and the community.

I have watched grow, not just academically but also in self-confidence. is well-prepared for the college environment where I am sure will thrive and continue to find passion. Even if passion isn't in coding, the skills and confidence has gained will spill over into other areas of life that will benefit regardless of what decides to pursue.

Sincerely,

Patti McNamara Thousand Oaks High School Career Technical Education (CTE) Department

### **Letter of Recommendation**

To whom it may concern,

It is my great pleasure to recommend and provide insight into
is through youth sports, specifically

My experience in knowing

My background as a head coach spans

10 years involved with youth recreational high school, and travel leagues.

Our teams were highly competitive competing for State & National Championships in a 4 year span, with playing an integral role being my #1 those years. Our biggest accomplishment peaked in 2015 when our Gold All-Star team in Thousand Oaks won the ASA National Championship. Being a pitcher requires tremendous mental toughness and excelled under extreme pressures from tournament to tournament all summer long. An example of mental and physical toughness came during our final game at the National Championships. hand and played through the injured adversity with our team winning. calm demeanor and "do your job" work ethic manifested itself within our entire team. This was invaluable in keeping our team playing relaxed and free of anxiety. positive attitude, leadership, and sportsmanship set the tone for our team and was a major Lastly, factor in our team excelling in a highly competitive environment.

stayed involved with our youth program by volunteering to assist with snack shack & field maintenance duties as well as umpiring games. is well respected within our community and helped the league maintain our standard of excellence by staying involved and always looking for opportunities to give back. also assisted with my travel ball teams as an assistant coach focused on offering expertise during my team practices.

I am hopeful this information provides insight into understanding as a person. I highly recommend for any endeavor and have the utmost confidence knowing whatever chooses to do in college and ultimately career, will excel and contribute admirably.

Thank you,

Glenn Trapse

818-749-1083 (mobile)

Glenn.Trapse@wolterskluwer.com

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	State Student ID	Date of Birth	CVUSD
Parent/Guardian	Place o	f Birth	
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			05/07/2020

### Conejo Valley USD Official Transcript

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CP- College Prep

H- Honors AP- Advanced Placement

PLASE NOTE: Total Credits listed under the GPA section of the transcript (in upper right-hand portion of the transcript) may include credits from middle school Algebra. Middle school Algebra 1CP or H satisfies the HS Algebra Requirement, but is not counted in the HS Mathematics requirement.