

August 28, 2018

To Whom It May Concern,

It is an honor and a privilege to write this letter of recommendation for Norco High School student Parker Knopf. I have been fortunate to have known Parker for four years as his Principal. I have personally seen him develop as a leader, academic learner, and grow from a boy into a man.

Parker has demonstrated his unique abilities as a leader through his communication skills, dedication, and strategic thinking. He has developed a real strength in his communicative ability. He has not only the skills to communicate on a technical level but also deliver highly technical vocabulary in layman's terms, which is extremely important in the professional world. As a leader in the Skills USA Club and the Automated Manufacturing class Parker has had to work closely with other students to assist in their training. In so doing he has developed strong rapport with his classmates very quickly and conducted himself in a professional yet engaging manner.

Parker has also shown tremendous ability to think on his feet through his work as a member of the Skills USA Team that placed 2nd at the National competition in Kentucky in the summer of 2018. His leadership and skills helped guide his team through not only the training and regional and state competitions but also during the 7 hour national competition to design, code, and manufacture a part, including a change order to a caliber that most engineers and manufacturers could not meet in a weeks' time.

Parker has made academics his top priority. He is in the top 1% of his class while challenging himself in numerous Honors and Advanced Placement classes. He has excelled in the classroom while maintaining a high level leadership position in Skills USA, CSF, ASB and Water Polo. Just to challenge himself he built a programmable autonomous hexapod robot from scratch, including the mechanical and electrical designs, manufacturing, and coding. Parker is uniquely capable of carrying a project through from start to finish in both a leadership capacity and with the knowledge and ability to complete each individual task.

Parker's high core values, high intelligence, and excellent communication skills have set him apart as a strong leader and someone that is trusted for sound input and decisions. Please consider Parker Knopf as the highest caliber candidate for your esteemed institution. I feel secure knowing that he will help lead our country in the future and make his Norco High School family proud.

With Deepest Regards,

Robert J. Ibbetson

Principal, Norco High School

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