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To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing this letter at the request of Hayden Lewis. Hayden is a 2-way baseball player for me at Chaparral High School in Scottsdale, Arizona. I've had the pleasure of getting to know him as a person, athlete and student over the past year.

As a baseball player, Hayden was an everyday starter for us. He excelled both on the mound and at the plate. He set a freshman school record for wins with 9 and showed the ability to command at least 3 pitches. The ability to command multiple pitches was really his strength this year. This allowed him to continually keep hitters off balance which lead to him pitching deep into games. He was equally as effective at the plate. He hit over .400 for us out of the 3 or 4 spot. He has a very good approach at the plate and surprisingly produces a lot of power out of his frame. He has a very high baseball IQ which allows him to make very good, aggressive decisions during the course of the game.

Hayden is also a very good student. All players were required to turn in grades each Monday. This was never an issue for Hayden. His grades consisted of all A's and B's. What I found most impressive was the fact that he never missed turning in his grades each and every Monday.

You can tell a lot about a person by their commitment to a task. Part of making that commitment is showing up, and Hayden was the first one to arrive at every practice. This punctuality will serve him well in life. In this day and age it's hard to get teenagers to realize that. I look forward to continuing to work with Hayden. He works extremely hard, is very coachable and loves to compete. I'm looking for him to make a big impact for the Firebirds this season both on the field and off.