



Barren County High School

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To Whom It May Concern:

As an English teacher, I am often asked to write letters of recommendation for former students. While I always agree, some letters are--in all honesty--a stretch to write. This letter of recommendation, however, is an absolute honor to compose! I have known and loved Kennedy Gill for most of her life. I first knew Kennedy as an eager child in my Sunday school class, then as a young adult in my freshman English classroom, and finally as a senior camper in my cabin at church camp. In every phase of her life, Kennedy has shown integrity, leadership, and dedication. These qualities make her an ideal candidate for this scholarship opportunity.

Kennedy is a young lady of character; she has high moral standards, which are clearly seen in the way she lives. She has strong convictions, and genuinely wants to do the right thing. While many kids are active in their youth group, Kennedy actively lives out her faith. She smiles--all the time. She is kind--to everyone. She genuinely lets her light shine every day by building others up and living a life dedicated to Christ. I have never heard a negative word spoken about Ms. Gill.

Kennedy is also a natural leader. She was among the first cohort of students to enroll in the Early College Program at Western Kentucky University. Upon graduation, Ms. Gill will have obtained 30 college credit hours and helped to pilot a program that will enable future students to get a jumpstart on their college education. Likewise, Kennedy is a leader on her volleyball team. As a four year member of the team, she has helped lead the Trojanettes to several district championship games. Additionally, Kennedy demonstrates leadership in the local chapter of FFA by serving as the Growing Leader Committee Chair. Academically, socially, and recreationally, Ms. Gill is a competent leader.

Finally, Kennedy is fiercely dedicated to whatever task is at hand. For instance, during her freshman year, I distinctly remember Kennedy telling me she wasn't good at "English stuff." She, however, had a goal of maintaining a 4.0 GPA throughout high school, and absolutely rose to the occasion. Just in my class, she spent hours completing outside reading, studying for rigorous exams, and perfecting ACT test-taking strategies. In short, Kennedy was "all-in"--and that is the quintessential Kennedy Gill! Without exception, Kennedy gives 110% effort, and because of this, she will be successful in her collegiate pursuits.

Kennedy has dreams of obtaining a degree in animal science and veterinary technology. Undoubtedly, she has what it takes: integrity, leadership, and dedication. With these qualities, she is an outstanding candidate for both this scholarship opportunity and post-secondary education. Should you have any questions, please contact me via email at alison.prichard@barren.kyschools.us.

Sincerely,

Alison Prichard

Alison Prichard, Barren County High School English teacher