

December 3, 2024

Re: Taylor Strange

Dear Committee:

I would like to take this opportunity to recommend Miss Taylor Strange. I first met Taylor in 2023 when she interviewed for a position on our State board with SkillsUSA Kentucky. Taylor quickly exhibited natural skills that exhibited strong ethics and leadership ability. She went on to become our chapter President for the 2024-25 school year.

Taylor has worked very hard throughout her years in school through high achievement of grades, completion of her career pathway, as well as countless volunteer hours and extra-curriculars. Her resume reflects a 3.95 GPA, Honors program, Magnet Student, chosen for Gifted and Talented program, is currently her class vice-president. In addition, she was a member of the school's basketball team for 3 years, several clubs in school which include Pep and Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

Taylor has a rigorous course load which includes several AP (Advanced Placement) classes which lead to college credit after passing a challenging exam. She has been extremely instrumental in the growth of the SkillsUSA program at Barren County ATC. She has served in many leadership positions for all of the years she has been involved. With her recent transition to a state officer, this has led to countless SkillsUSA National leadership programs including Washington Leadership Conference and Leverage. Both are extremely intense preparation programs. She went on to plan and lead sessions on her own for our state's fall leadership conference. She has achieved the highly honored Statesmen awards at both the National and State level.

In addition, Taylor has competed in Regional, State and National competitions. She has had to perfect her career choice and placed first in Architectural Drafting at the Regional and State levels and went on to place at National competition out of 52 states represented.

Miss Taylor Strange is an extremely high-achieving student. She is one of the strongest students we have had to lead our organization. Taylor works hard everyday to improve Kentucky SkillsUSA and is constantly wanting to try new things within our organization. Her time and dedication devoted to SkillsUSA does not go unnoticed. She puts in her utmost effort in every project she tackles, and completes it with a smile on her face. In addition to all of her educational and extra-curricular achievements, she adds on a part-time job as a lifeguard where she has to be formally trained, certified, and on task at all times. Being a State Officer of a Career and Technical Service Organization takes teamwork skills and the ability to think outside the box on several occasions.

Taylor strives to become an architect in the future. She has completed numerous projects through work-based learning projects which have been utilized in industry. This is an incredible accomplishment at this level of her educational experience. Taylor has been led and taught by an

incredible group at Barren County Board of Education. The level of education, experience and service offerings are some of the highest in the state. I look forward to having more state officers from this school. Thank you greatly for your time.

Sincerely,

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