

To whom it may concern,

It is my pleasure to write this letter in support of Julian Vogel.

I am currently a secondary school teacher of mathematics and science and the Varsity and JV Coed Softball coach at Bonn International School located in Bonn, Germany. I had the pleasure of teaching and coaching Julian for 8 years at Bonn International school.

I taught Julian mathematics in grades 6, 8 and 9, where I found him to be a hard working and dedicated student. Julian showed good maturity for a young student by always being prepared for lessons and by participating fully in class discussions and activities. I also was involved in advising Julian on his MYP Personal Project, which was to organize a concert to allow young bands and musicians from around Germany the opportunity to perform. Julian showed incredible initiative by working with local business partners to acquire sponsorship to facilitate the concert. Due to unforeseen complications, the date and location of the concert had to be moved, but Julian continued to work hard to find solutions and eventually secured a new date and venue for the concert. There were many bands, both local and regional, who attended and played at the concert, including Julian's band. I attended the concert and it was a resounding success.

I also had the opportunity to get to know Julian outside the classroom as an important member of the JV coed softball team. The JV and Varsity softball teams are made up of students from grades 6-12 at our school, but due to his extensive baseball background Julian was allowed to join the team in grade 5. Julian's skills and leadership developed over the following 5 seasons, culminating in winning the JV NECIS championship in his grade 8 season, and losing by a run in the championship game the following year. At that point, Julian's leadership had been recognized both by his teammates and coaches, where he was a unanimous coach's and player's choice for Captain of the JV team. Unfortunately, COVID-19 and the resulting restrictions wiped out the following 2 seasons after that, and sadly in Julian's grade 12 year due to continuing uncertainty, he chose instead to give his full focus to his upcoming IB exams.

Regardless of how Julian's softball career ended at BIS, I can without hesitation recommend him as a valued teammate and contributor to just about any endeavor. Julian's unwavering commitment to his team is a strength and trait not often found in many of today's young people. Julian has shown both determination and initiative to face many different challenges during his time here in Bonn International School, and I know these traits will serve him well as he moves towards the next phases and challenges in his life. If you have any further questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,
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