



ESSEX NORTH SHORE
AGRICULTURAL & TECHNICAL SCHOOL

Dear Members of the Admissions Committee,

I am pleased to write this letter of recommendation for Gavin Kamps, a student in our IT program at Essex North Shore Agricultural and Technical School. I have had the privilege of teaching and observing Gavin throughout his high school career, and I can confidently say that he is an exceptionally talented, motivated, and well-rounded student who is well-prepared to excel in a computer science program.

Gavin has demonstrated consistent academic excellence, earning a place on the Honor Roll throughout all three years of high school and maintaining a 4.0 GPA last year. His natural curiosity and problem-solving skills are evident both in and out of the classroom. Gavin began teaching himself how to code in eighth grade and has continued to cultivate his skills through rigorous coursework, college-level classes at North Shore Community College, and certifications such as CompTIA IT Essentials, GMetrix Networking, and GMetrix Python.

Beyond his academic achievements, Gavin is a hands-on learner who has applied his knowledge in real-world settings. His co-op experience at Sostratus LLC as an IT support technician has allowed him to gain valuable professional skills, further solidifying his passion for software engineering and computer science. Gavin's dedication to learning, combined with his technical proficiency, makes him an ideal candidate for a challenging college program.

Gavin is also an individual of strong character and personal growth. Overcoming shyness and anxiety, he has developed excellent communication and leadership skills, exemplified during his time as a crew leader in Scouting America and through his active involvement in extracurricular activities such as skiing, golf, and volunteering. He balances academics, work, and extracurricular commitments with maturity, curiosity, and a sense of responsibility that is rare among high school students.

What sets Gavin apart is his individuality and genuine enthusiasm for learning. He is thoughtful, inquisitive, and unafraid to explore new ideas, while also maintaining a

unique sense of humor and perspective that enriches the classroom environment. I am confident that Gavin will contribute meaningfully to your college community and continue to grow as a scholar, leader, and creative thinker.

In summary, Gavin Kamps is an exceptional student whose intelligence, curiosity, and dedication make him an outstanding candidate for admission. I wholeheartedly recommend him and am confident that he will thrive academically and personally in your program.

Please feel free to contact me at gdurkee@essextech.net if you require any additional information.

Sincerely,

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