

James Clemens High School Engineering Academy

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To Whom it May Concern:

I am pleased to recommend Simone Horton-Parham for college acceptance. Simone is an accomplished and dedicated student. Last year I got to know Simone well when I taught her in Principles of Engineering. She then joined our Society of Women Engineers Next (SWENext) chapter where I have kept up with her monthly about her goals and accomplishments.

In Principles of Engineering, students are often encouraged to work together to solve problems. While Simone was in my class, she worked with diverse groups of students and always was encouraging and successful. Simone also took our Introduction to Engineering Design class, where she became an Autodesk certified User. Simone has explored the STEM pathway with more than just engineering, as she also took and made high grades in IT Fundamentals, Programming Foundations, and Architecture, Construction, and Manufacturing.

Simone engages in STEM through her classes, but also helps encourage younger students to pursue STEM. As a member of our SWENext chapter, she has listened to many guest speakers talk about their experiences as women in Engineering and fostered confidence in the younger members. Outside of school, she was a summer teaching assistant at Aim High St. Louis, an enrichment program that engages students from high-risk environments to strengthen their character, self-confidence, determination, and initiative through a challenging and engaging curriculum.

Simone maintains a 3.1 GPA with all of her rigorous STEM courses and extracurricular activities. She is dedicated to her passions and would be an asset to any university.

Once again, I am pleased to recommend Simone Horton-Parham. She is a great student with a bright future and is very deserving of any financial aid or college acceptance.

Best Wishes,

Allison Turner

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