

July 5, 2021

**Re: Recommendation Letter for Jacob Knoblauch**

Dear Prospective College Coach,

I've known Jacob since he was 12 years old and have had the pleasure of playing golf with him ever since. His family had moved into our neighbourhood, and we played the same golf course as members at Shaughnessy Golf and Country Club. Even as a 12-year-old, he was a charismatic young man who joined me at the first tee. I vividly recall how he introduced himself and asked if he could join my tee time since I was playing as a single, and the tee sheet was full. I also remember how, with a slight hint of shyness, he looked me in the eye while making his request. I'm so glad he did, as I've had the joy of watching this great young golfer bloom.

What I've loved most is that Jacob loves to mentor the younger members, giving them advice on equipment and technique. He makes sure they get out in fairly balanced groups and has a natural charisma that gets the 'video generation' to come to the course and play golf. When my young son was being bullied at the club, it was Jacob that stood up for him. This single act has kept my son in the game, and a highly ranked junior in Canada.

While no one knows the future with certainty, I can definitely see that Jacob will be in or around golf. His love of the game is infectious, his skill is ferocious, and his positive personality looms large. It's a brand of magic I don't possess but am delighted to know Jacob and watch him build the junior team at our club.

I highly recommend Jacob as an excellent candidate for your school's golf program. With a combination of his work ethic, leadership and mentoring skills, compassion for others and high-level golf ability, I have no doubt he will be a huge asset on any team.

I wish Jacob continued success and will forever cheer him on!

Sincerely,

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