

## Los Angeles Unified School District

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Dear Sir or Madam:

I am writing this letter to highly recommend Kazu Ho for your school. I was his integrated science teacher for the 2018/2019 school year. I have been teaching science for 12 years in Los Angeles California and Kazu is one of the most exceptional students I have had the pleasure of teaching in this time. Kazu is one of those students who produces above and beyond the assignment. During our climate change unit, Kazu created an exceptional campaign including a website. Kazu and his partner made videos illustrating their campaign that they uploaded to the website. I asked Kazu if there was some type of application that he could add that would email people to remind them weekly of the pledge that they made, and he said sure. It took him some time but after much research and some trial and error, he was able to set up an email bot and connect it to his website.

Kazu is very interested in every topic we learned about during the course of the year. I often looked forward to hearing his inquisitive questions. Kazu is always ready to learn and never complained about any task. He is very creative and other students are honored to be on his team. He is polite, kind, and diplomatic and gets along well with myself, his teacher, and other students. He placed in the top 3 in our annual Mark Twain Middle School Engineering and Science fair last year. He came after school and at lunch to make his project ready for the 69th Annual Los Angeles County Science and Engineering Fair (March 28-30, 2019). He also spent his weekend attending the fair. Kazu is also great at presenting in front of the class and others with his loud and commanding voice.

In my opinion, Kazu Ho will make a great asset to your program.

Thank you for your time and please don't hesitate to reach out with any questions.

Sincerely,

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