



# Sharon High School

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April 13, 2019

Dear Michael Rothberg Scholarship Committee:

Intelligent, diligent, organized, and enthusiastic, Michael Holzman has been a most positive presence in my senior Honors English class, and I have had the opportunity to see his impact our school community in a multitude of ways. I have had the great fortune of working with hundreds of amazing and successful students in my 18 years as an English teacher and Student Council Advisor at Sharon High School, a school highly recognized for academic excellence, rigor, and student involvement, and I am honored to write a recommendation for Michael!

Michael has earned the respect of his teachers as a bright, enthusiastic member of all his classes. While his grades reveal his excellent academic tract, my colleagues and I admire his poise and confidence in voicing his opinions, even when he is in the minority; his peers turn to him for inspiration in group discussions and projects, and his ability to help disenfranchised students see the perspective of others has not gone unnoticed: he has a unique ability to mediate contested debates, help peers listen effectively to the views of others, and model patience and understanding in a mature manner. He demonstrates critical thinking, excellent speaking and writing skills, and attention to detail that resonates in all aspects of his academics. I was not surprised to learn he plans to pursue Criminal Justice at Saint Anselm’s College because he embodies a sense of justice and quiet leadership in all interactions.

Michael also told me that he and his dad, a teacher, spend summers managing a lawn care business. Michael explained that through this business, he has learned to interact with adults for a variety of purposes, conduct himself professionally when performing tasks on their property, learned many financial skills, and embraced the responsibility to meet deadlines and expectations of the customers. He speaks with pride of the success he and his dad have had. While not a glamorous internship or expensive sort of “service excursion” that many of his peers take, Michael instead is the reliable man of action to he stands by his convictions and responsibilities.

Please accept my letter of recommendation on Michael’s behalf for consideration for the Michael Rothberg Scholarship. I am a Sharon High School graduate, and I am honored to teach fine young adults such as Michael. He is a truly special young man with great potential to make a difference in the world.

Sincerely,

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## Vision, Mission, and Core Values

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