Application Verified 202510_GR_G Application: Iteration Name: Grad Program Applying To: MiT Program Name: MITU Recommendation Information

Recommended By: Jay Potter Recommenders Title: **Director of Operations**

Recommenders Institution: Hands On Children's Museum Payton Ervine Contact Name:

Recommendation Waiver Waive Access to I choose to waive my right to I choose to waive my right to review this recommendation. Recommendation Ltrs: review this recommendation. Choice:

Recommendation Form Recommendation Status: Received

Submitted:

Received Date: Recommender Assessment: I recommend this applicant

> 08/22/2023 12:15 PM without reservation.

Recommendation Type: General Recommender Form: Letter of Recommendation

Recommendation Entity ID: 1024000110334721 Josephine Bernier Recommendation Owner:

Recommender Form Questions

How long have you known Applicant ability as

applicant: self-directed learner:

Time since last contact with Applicant as productive

> applicant: member of group:

Relationship with Applicant: Applicant most significant

strengths:

Ability to complete rigourous Responsibility/reliability:

grad program:

Communication Skills - Oral: Communication skills -

written:

Service Ability to work independently:

Orientation-sensitivity/empathy:

Ability to handle stress: Ability to think critically: Ability to think creatively:

Ability to analyze/problem

solve:

Openness to feedback: Potential for leadership:

Personal/professional Ability to work in a team:

reflection:

Description Information

Description: Form URL: https://evergreenstatecollege.radius

Other Information

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To Whom it May Concern:

My name is Jay Potter. I am the Assistant Director of Daily Operations at the Hands-on Children's Museum. I am writing to give my wholehearted/full throated endorsement for Payton Ervine to join the MiT program at The Evergreen State College. I have been one of Payton's direct supervisors for over four years. Payton is not only punctual, hardworking, and precise in his work duties, but he is also a kind and compassionate colleague that always has the best interest of the organization, the patrons, and his team members front of mind.

Payton started with us as a Gallery Assistant. His duties included the task of resetting props and attending galleries of course, but most importantly interacting with the guests as they explored the museum. Payton excelled at this and was promoted to lead and entrusted with the job of training new staff members to engage with families on the floor. Payton was then promoted again into our education department where he continues to flourish. He was first introduced into our preschool and camps as an assistant and then as a lead teacher as he began to develop his classroom management techniques. Payton is beloved by our students and their families as he is fun and energetic while remaining even tempered and consistent. His camps are some of the first to fill up and he easily makes connections with students and their families.

As a parent of four children and a museum professional I can honestly say two things about Payton. The first is that He is the kind of teacher I would want for my children. His love of learning is genuine, and the kids can't help but be drawn into his lessons and planned activities. The second is that Payton is the kind of person that I hope my children become as they grow. He is sincere, driven, respectful, responsible, and engaged with his family and his community. Payton's contributions to our organization and the culture of learning we strive for at the Hands-on Children's Museum cannot be overstated. He is a perfect ambassador of our mission and a superb candidate for admission to the MiT program. Thank you for your time. I would be more than happy to answer any questions that you might have regarding Payton and his application.

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