

Jackson County School District  
**Vancleave High School**  
Telephone: 228-283-3720  
12424 Hwy 57  
Vancleave, Mississippi, 39565

**David Baggett**  
Superintendent

**Mrs. Raina Holmes**  
Principal

**Mr. Bailey Cuevas**  
Assistant Principal

**Mrs. Amy Campbell**  
Mrs. Katie Bailey  
Guidance Counselors

December 8, 2025

To The Scholarship Committee,

It is truly a pleasure to write this letter of recommendation for Maddox Henley, a Senior at Vancleave High School. Very few students leave a lasting impression the way Maddox has, and I can confidently say he is one of those students. He is not only academically gifted but also kind-hearted, respectful, witty, and deeply committed to those around him.

Maddox has consistently demonstrated a strong sense of responsibility and character throughout his time at Vancleave High School. He approaches everything he does with quiet determination and a genuine desire to do his best. Whether he is in the classroom, on the court, or out in the community, Maddox carries himself with integrity and maturity.

As a student, Maddox is incredibly dedicated and genuinely cares about academics. I have watched him invest countless hours preparing, tutoring, and practicing for the ACT, not out of obligation, but because he genuinely wants to grow and succeed. What stands out even more than his academic accomplishments is his character. His kindness, work ethic, and genuine respect for others make him someone who naturally inspires trust and admiration from both peers and adults alike.

As an athlete, Maddox embodies the very best of teamwork and leadership. He leads by example, encourages his teammates, and demonstrates resilience through victories and challenges. Coaches and teammates naturally turn to him for guidance because of his steady, reliable, and supportive presence. A moment that truly captures his character occurred on his senior basketball recognition night, when Maddox willingly gave up his starting position to a fellow senior who had never started a game. He did this not for recognition, but out of genuine compassion, allowing that student to experience a moment that was meaningful to him. Maddox's humility, selflessness, and care for others shine through in moments like this, showing that his leadership extends far beyond the court.

Maddox is the kind of young man who makes those around him better. He is trustworthy, hardworking, respectful, and compassionate. I do not doubt that he will be successful in anything he chooses to pursue, and more importantly, that he will make a positive impact wherever he goes.

I sincerely recommend Maddox Henley, confident that he will bring integrity, dedication, and pride to any organization fortunate enough to have him.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Raina Holmes".

Raina Holmes  
Principal  
Vancleave High School