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Re: Liam Sallee

Dear Mr. Gleason,

Donald "Skip" Sallee asked me to supply you with a letter of reference in support of his son Liam and working with your organization to establish a scouting profile for Liam. Liam has been a player under my guidance since the fall of 2012. I have been coaching with a local organization by the name of the St. Louis Gamers since the fall of 2012. I have been involved with youth sports, in a coaching and leadership capacity, since 2007.

Liam definitely falls into one of the top 5 players that I have coached, measured against several 100 other athletes that I have taught. His outstanding athleticism, ability to compete, communication and leadership skills has made him a standout. I view these skills as extremely important in becoming a top notch baseball player.

Off of the field is where I have really gotten to know Liam and really appreciate him as a person. Often times kids that are blessed with exceptional athletic abilities tend to act entitled and can often be the "problem child" for a coach. Liam doesn't fit this classic stereotype. He is a hard worker, one dedicated to getting better every time that he steps into the practice facility. In addition to being a hard worker, he is also a great teammate. He is the first kid to console a kid that has just made an out, and is often the team's greatest cheerleader when things aren't going well. In today's sports climate where there is often a "me" mentality, it is very refreshing to have a kid like Liam that ALWAYS think of the "team" first. Liam is undoubtedly one of the leaders of the team. Make no mistake though that Liam is a tenacious competitor with the heart of a champion, a kid that love's to compete.

On the field Liam Sallee is an athletic player with plus straight line speed and great feet, which aids in having plus lateral quickness. Liam has a patient approach at the plate, with the ability and confidence to not chase out of the zone and to not miss the pitch that he is looking for. Liam's speed allows him to be a top of the order guy while his smooth swing, with gap to gap power, affords him the ability to bat in the middle of the lineup; 3 thru 6. Defensively Liam has a strong enough arm to play on the left side of the infield as well as the athleticism to play centerfield. Liam has 5 tools that are currently above average and can continue to be developed to play at the next level. Liam is a great leader on and off of the field, willing to compete on the field, in the weight-room and in the classroom consequently, Liam has always been held at the highest regards amongst his teammates.

I am lucky to have had the chance to coach Liam

Kindest Regards,

Leland D. Macon