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Friends of Lake Keowee Society
Jack Lewis Watershed Stewardship Scholarship
Application

This scholarship is offered on a nondiscriminatory basis, without regard to race, color, national origin, religion, sex, age, gifts and other contributions have provided funding for the Foundation. resources for the benefit of all.

A. Personal Information

Applicant's Name

Mattox Claire Elizabeth
Last First Middle

Home Address

105 Woods Drive, West Union, South Carolina,
29696

County of Residence

Oconee

Name of High School Wainalla High School

Home Telephone Number

Sandra Mattox (mother): 864-710-3302 Ronald mattox (father): 864-710-3302

Date of Birth April 20, 2006

Email Address: clairemattox@gmail.com

B. Education

Date of High School Graduation

College(s) Planning to Apply/Attend: Include College Name and Location

(1) Clemson University - 105 Sikes Hall, Clemson, SC 29634

(2) Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University -
1 Aerospace Blvd. Daytona Beach, FL 32114

C. Environmental Leadership & Activity Experience - List and briefly describe any environmental leadership or activity experience, such as participation in Envirothon, Youth Conservation Camp, 4-H, Future Farmers of America (FFA), etc.

SC Adopt-A-Stream
Green Steps Participant
Certified in Macroinvertebrates for Adopt-A-Stream

D. Leadership & Other Extracurricular Activities - List all other organizations and extracurricular activities in which you have or currently are participating. Indicate any activities in which you hold or have held office and note which position. Include other activities such as athletics, music, drama, dance, public speaking, clubs, societies, public events/exhibits or awards, list honors or letters earned.

Varsity Cross Country, WHS Track + Field, Club track +
Field, WHS Soccer, Beta Club, WHS Softball, Participating
in Green Steps, Volunteering with Emerson Rose
Heart Foundation

E. References/Letters of Recommendation

Attach recommendation letters from at least three references, other than family members, who can provide additional information about your academic and community activities. List details on those from whom you have requested recommendation letters.

1. Name of Reference:

Emily Cobb

Position/Relation to Applicant: Teacher

Telephone: (803) 571-5988

Address:

1164 Strubling Shoals Rd Walhalla, Sc 29691

2. Name of Reference:

Dr. Aaron Collins

Position/Relation to Applicant: Tutor

Telephone: (478) 747-1909

Address:

1369 Stillwater Drive, Seneca, South Carolina 29672

3. Name of Reference:

Stephanie Page

Position/Relation to Applicant: Employer

Telephone: (864) 499-1481

Address:

103 Woodk Drive, West Union, South Carolina 29696

G. Signatures/Certification

In submitting this application, I hereby certify that the information provided is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. Falsification of information may result in termination of any scholarship granted. If declared a recipient of this scholarship, I will provide the Friends of Lake Keowee Society a statement that may be used for publicity purposes.

Applicant: Clairce Mattok

Date: 12-13-2021

Parent/Guardian: Andrea Mattok

Date: 12-13-2021

H. Additional Information for Applicants

SC Adopt-A-Stream (SC AAS) provides the opportunity for those interested in the protection and improved management of South Carolina waterways to be directly involved in their monitoring and reporting. Volunteers provide vital data for streams that complements local and state data used to determine the health of our waterways. In sharing this information about stream conditions, volunteers, local communities, educators, and local government agencies can partner to protect and restore our waters. SC AAS trained volunteers have the potential to increase awareness within their own community of the relationship between pollution, watershed management, land use changes, and the personal responsibility of each individual within the watershed to be a better environmental steward.

The first step is to become a certified SC AAS volunteer by attending a FREE workshop! Volunteer trainings are available through Clemson University.

Click here to view upcoming training events.

<https://www.clemson.edu/public/water/watershed/scaas/aas-events.html>

4701 North Highway 11
Walhalla, South Carolina 29691

January 19, 2022

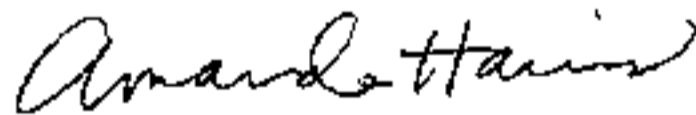
Mike White & FOLKS Scholarship Committee
1209 Stamp Creek Road, Suite A
Salem, South Carolina 29676

Dear FOLKS Scholarship Committee:

I am writing to recommend Claire Mattox for the Jack Lewis Stewardship Scholarship. I am a librarian at Walhalla High School, and Claire is in her second year of working as a library assistant for me. During the time I have spent with her in the library, I have been impressed by her academic focus as well as her well-rounded range of extracurricular activities. Claire works diligently in her classes and maintains high grades, but she also spends time playing sports and more. Outside of school, some of Claire's favorite activities include water sports and spending time on our beloved Lake Keowee. She also enjoys trail runs to waterfalls in the Oconee area, and she is an advocate for encouraging others to enjoy the beautiful natural resources we have around us.

Claire has been actively engaged in the Green Steps class at Walhalla High School this year. During her semester in that class, I was able to catch up with her regularly about what she was learning. She shared infographics that she had created to teach about the bees in our observation hive, she formally presented her section of the class' new pollinator garden to me, and she shared about the streams and water quality projects they were working on throughout the semester. I was impressed with her ability to not only study and learn about these topics, but also to explain her learning and experiences so that I could understand and appreciate the class' efforts. Her communication skills and her level of attention to detail are excellent, so her presentations to share the results of water monitoring would be thoughtfully prepared and informative. Claire Mattox has much to offer to FOLKS; she would serve well and make you proud as your scholarship recipient.

Sincerely,



Amanda Harris
Walhalla High School

January 19, 2022

To whom it may concern:

I am writing this letter of recommendation for Claire Maddox as part of her application for the Friends of Lake Keowee scholarship. I was privileged to have Claire in my English 2 class this past semester. She achieved high marks and had the highest grade in the class.

This is my fifth year teaching, and each of my students are dear to me, but sometimes in this profession you connect with some students in a way beyond learning and teaching. These connections are what sustain a difficult job in trying times. I am proud to say that, to me, Claire is one such student. She is intelligent, caring, and open minded. While she is young, with much to learn, she is wise enough to know this fact. She is not quick to set her mind, rather she looks at all factors, facts, and perspectives. I am really impressed with her ability to look deeper in our studies beyond where most students stop. This is how I know she has a bright, determined future ahead of her. I have told her she would make a great lawyer! But, truly, whatever she decides to do in her future, she will succeed.

It is on this note, that I would contend that Claire is most deserving of this scholarship opportunity. Your organization would be attributing to a young woman's promising future.

Wherever she sets her sights, I know that nothing can stop her from achieving what she desires. I also know that she has the disposition to do real good in the world. Students like her remind and inspire me of my dreams.

I hope that you will take this letter into consideration in your decision making process. Thank you for giving opportunities to our students here at Walhalla High School. You are helping give chances for the future, which is a wonderful gift. Please reach out to me with any questions.

Sincerely,

Emily Cobb

English Teacher

Walhalla High School

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January 19, 2022

Jack Lewis Watershed Stewardship Scholarship Committee
1209 Stamp Creek Road
Suite A
Salem, SC 29676

Re: Reference for Claire Mattox for Jack Lewis Watershed Stewardship Scholarship

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I have known Claire Mattox for about 4 years. Her family lived next door to us for about 3 years until we moved to a different Oconee county location last year. I had an opportunity to get to know her and her family and to observe Claire's activities as a student and as an athlete.

Claire just completed a very successful algebra II course this December. I had a two zoom homework sessions with her for that course, but I did little other than explain a new concept that she encountered. She then completed the assignments on her own. I mention this course since she is aware that success in this course is a key foundation for future math and science courses, and I was impressed with her efforts and skills.

She was a pitcher on her junior varsity softball team and competes on her cross country team. She just signed up for soccer so she is adding a new sport. I observed her running in the neighborhood year round. She also sometimes does some trail running to local waterfalls, and water skis when she gets an opportunity, so this is a very active young lady when it comes to outdoor activities and sports.

Claire has a strong interest in science, and I would not be surprised to see that affect her choice of a major in college. Certainly, the tasks involved with this scholarship are specifically environmental science or environmental engineering related activities. Based on my observations of her, she would take the responsibility of running and documenting water samples or whatever other tasks are involved very seriously and would grow and learn from the experience. The activities involved with this scholarship seem designed for just that purpose, and I applaud the committee for the structure of the scholarship. It will provide both motivation and a sense of achievement for the recipient.

I give my strongest recommendation for Claire as the potential recipient of this scholarship. I am certain that she will make it a focus of her life during the months involved, and that she will deliver carefully performed results.

Sincerely,



Aaron S. Collins, PhD, PE
Professor Emeritus and retired associate dean
Mercer University School of Engineering