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RE: Scholastic Journalist of the Year

To: SCSPA Journalist of the Year Committee

Over the past few years, I have had the privilege to get to know Sophie Winnick as the Assistant Principal who oversees all clubs and activities including yearbook. Sophie is a wonderful young lady full of integrity, discipline, and an incredible work ethic. It has been a tremendous honor to watch her make such an incredible impact as a leader on our campus through her dedication to the yearbook, her fellow classmates, and to Wando High School

Wando High School has over 4000 students and Sophie is a young lady that stands out for all of the right reasons. Sophie's smile will light up the room and her charisma easily attracts people to her. Sophie doesn't do anything without being fully invested and giving everything she has to being her very best and to helping those around her be their very best as well. Sophie has transformed our Yearbook staff in her three years being involved. Our yearbook staff was only a very small number of students desperately trying to find others to jump on board. Sophie's leadership has grown our yearbook staff exponentially over the past few years and it is a testament of her leadership, mentoring, and commitment to excellence.

Sophie Winnick is a young lady with exceptional vision for allowing her photos to help tell a story of their own as well as her ability to think and create imagery others wish they could develop. Sophie's ability as a photographer and a journalist are outstanding and her accomplishments and awards are just one aspect of documenting Sophie's incredible talents. What is even more impressive is Sophie's humility, generosity with her time and talents, and her willingness to put others first. It is truly rare to see a high school student with as much talent and ability complemented by her work ethic and her desire to help others succeed at a high level. I would believe that we all want to leave our mark on the places we have spent so much time and I truly believe Sophie has left a mark on Wando High School, our yearbook staff, her classmates, and teachers that will leave a lasting legacy.

Sophie Winnick is truly an exceptional young lady, a great leader, and a fantastic journalist. The work she has created, the awards she has won, the leadership she has displayed, the individuals and school she has impacted, and the yearbook she has grown are reasons why Sophie Winnick deserves to be the scholastic journalist of the year.

Sincerely,

David Crockett

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