



MCN SENATORS

HOCKEY

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LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION

JAXSON BARTSCH

To Whom It May Concern,

It is with great enthusiasm and the highest regard that I write this recommendation on behalf of Jaxson Bartsch, one of the most elite athletes I have had the privilege of coaching. I worked with Jaxson during an international tournament in which our team competed against some of the finest players across Europe. In that high-level environment, he consistently distinguished himself not only through his exceptional on-ice performance but through the character and leadership he demonstrated every day.

Jaxson possesses an extraordinarily high hockey IQ and an elite level of vision. He sees the ice in ways that few players can. Rather than forcing play directly at opponents, he identifies and exploits open ice, creating space and opportunities for himself and his teammates. His skill set - skating, puck control, decision-making, and overall hockey sense - sets him apart in nearly every facet of the game. Against top international competition, these attributes were on full display and made a tangible difference for our team.

Equally impressive are Jaxson's qualities off the ice. He is a natural leader and a true team player. He carries himself with a quiet presence that commands respect the moment he enters a room; he does not need to raise his voice or demand attention. His teammates respond to him with genuine respect and commitment; they would do whatever is required to help the group succeed because of the standard he sets. On the bench, Jaxson leads through humility and example. He willingly prioritizes the team's needs over personal ice time, allowing others to take shifts while he supports from the sidelines. That selflessness is rare at any level and is a hallmark of true leadership.

Jaxson Bartsch combines elite talent with the maturity, humility, and competitive character that elevate everyone around him. I recommend him without reservation to any program, team, or organization seeking a high-character player who performs under pressure and elevates those around him.

Sincerely,

Zach Klempel

2026 U18 Coach

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