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DEAR MS. MURPHY,

When I was in 6th grade, I competed on my school's Science Olympiad team for the first time ever. I don't remember much about that particular competition, besides the fact that I was left feeling proud, motivated, curious, and excited for my next competition. From then on, I started actively worked with my peers and mentors, building rockets, salinometers, and making study guides for my favorite division B event: food science. It was a very fulfilling and memorable experience.

A bit about me: as an International Baccalaureate scholar, I've gained many skills that would be useful for a student advisor position. I've learned how to organize my tasks based on importance and urgency, maintain great work ethic, and clearly communicate both with members within the organization and outreach to newer parts of the community. As the vice president of my school's Scioly Club, I've planned overnight trips for competitions, contacting restaurants and hotels ahead of time, and maintained up-to-date communication with parents throughout the entire trip. This left the parents with very positive impressions of our officer team. I'm also organized and dedicated, as demonstrated by keeping a huge drive of spreadsheets and by making customized event assignment cards for each member before competitions. Furthermore, my passion for science has motivated me to study beyond the basic high school curriculum. Thus, I have the knowledge to write high quality tests and provide feedback on other tests. Lastly, after a year of competing in person, I've gained some insight on how we can improve competitions in future years that I would love to share.

I never expected Scioly to completely change the trajectory of the rest of my academic years, and after 6 years, I've decided that I want to give back to this organization for helping me pursue my passion in science. Thus, I would like to apply for a student advisory position on the Washington Science Olympiad Board. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Cindy Liu