

Jamie Patton

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Dear Teens Westward Bound,

My name is Jamie Patton and I've known Jake since we were both around 3 years old. Jake and I grew up together in Fayetteville Arkansas before he made the big move across the country and he has almost always been the closest thing I have to a brother. I was really excited when he told me about this great opportunity because I feel like he is very deserving of this trip for many reasons such as his integrity, determination, and fun personality.

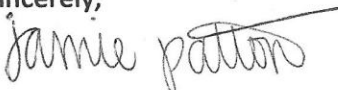
My first reason is because Jake has integrity unlike many other people I've ever met and he actually prides himself on being a good person who serves others and always does what is right. When I was younger a lot of the time I would find him coaxing me and leading me, as well as other peers, to make the right decisions. Not only does he always try to do what is right, but he also strives to do it in a way that glorifies the Lord and he has always been very strong and inspirational in living out his Christian faith. He is unashamed of his beliefs and confident in himself, determined to be the very best he can be.

My next reason is because of his constant determination; he is a very hardworking person in many ways. He pushes himself both outside as well as inside of school, as we were always in an unspoken competition growing up of who could have the best grades. I'm pretty confident that he always won. He has always been determined to make his dreams a reality and he accomplishes nearly anything and everything he sets his mind to. I really believe he would enjoy and thrive under any challenges that this trip could offer.

Lastly, he has a great personality and is really good at making friends, making people laugh, and he is very easy going. He likes the outdoors and everything about this trip truly seems very fitting for his personality. He has always been anything but boring and I think this trip would give him the opportunity to live out his adventurous side and teach him even more about himself and about the country that he's proud to live in.

Overall I think Jake is a great candidate for this spot because not only is he a great person who doesn't ask for a lot, but because this specific trip seems like something that would be beneficial to him, and he to it. It's an amazing opportunity and I know he would be honored to be a part of it. Thank you for considering him!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "jamie patton". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

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