Mark Forman WayCAM's Production Manager wrote:

## To Whom It May Concern:

I got my start with WayCAM as a freshman in High School by taking Jim Mullane's TV Production class. Working with the production equipment and editing software was the first time I found something that I felt strongly interested in. After taking TV Production, I got involved with the production of Sports Update, experiencing all aspects of the show, working behind the scenes, appearing as a guest, and even hosting the show. It was my experiences with Sports Update that lead me to pursue a degree in communications with a focus in studio production. After graduating college with a BA in Communications, I reached out to Jim Mullane to see if he knew of any opportunities to enter the industry. He set me up with an interview at another PEG station, and on my way home from that interview he called me and asked me to stop by the studio. Just like that my former teacher became my boss, and gave me the opportunity I was looking for in tv production.

From my time as a student to my current role as WayCAM's Production Manager, I have experienced and witnessed first hand what an invaluable resource WayCAM has become for Wayland and its citizens. The students are given opportunities to learn in the TV Studio, run their own field productions, and even create their own movies. From covering sporting events, concerts, drama productions, and so much more, WayCAM has engrained itself in the community. Students are constantly reaching out for help with creating acting reels or sports highlight packages to help set up their lives after High School. Something that wouldn't be possible if not for WayCAM and our volunteers recording events.

It has been great to see the advancements WayCAM has made with its studio space and equipment, and even better to see the opportunities these advancements have created.

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