

December 19, 1945

Mr. Paul B. Gross
Athletic Director
Fort Hayes Teachers College
Hayes, Kansas

Dear Paul:

Coach Chalmer Woodard of the Lawrence Memorial High School phoned me yesterday stating that you desired me to write to you concerning his capability as a football coach. I am very happy to testify to Coach Woodard's high efficiency as a teacher of young men, both on and off the athletic field. Not only is he an excellent class room instructor, but he is a fine gentleman who leads his boys by the power of his personality and the service that he renders them. He is not the mere accidental type. His coaching success is founded on experience and knowledge. In my opinion, he is undoubtedly the best high school coach in this state and I would reach out into several other states without fear of contradiction.

He took a course last summer under me, namely, Theory and Practice of Athletic Training. I found him highly intelligent, deeply interested, and at all times searching for things that would improve the welfare of his boys.

I have seen his teams on the football field and have officiated a number of his games. They are not only excellently coached in the fundamentals and rudiments of the game, but they are gentlemen, both on and off the field. He has sterling character, is a man of family and a splendid citizen of his community. The school that obtains his services will indeed be fortunate. He develops winners. And he will continue to do so irrespective of what type of competition he indulges in because of his indefatigable energy, his fine personality and his sincere interest. I am glad to recommend him without reservation or evasion.

Sincerely,

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Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.