**Katherine Philipsen**

Personal Statement

My friends would describe me as a girl boss. I love being a leader, whether it is on the Varsity Track and Cross Country teams, National Charity League Board Member, Student Council representative, Student Ambassadors or working as a lifeguard. I am self-motivated, and I enjoy learning through hands on experiences where I am able to use math and science to solve problems as part of a diverse team.

Personal Details

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Academic Overview

**Grade Point Average:** Weighted 4.1019 / Unweighted 3.6389

Activities & Achievements

**Work Experience**

Nanny and Pet Sitting

Freshman, Sophomore - 16 hours per week, 12 weeks per year

My first work experience was taking care of children as a summer nanny and occasional pet sitting. These roles required promptness, attentiveness and caring.

YMCA Lifeguard

Sophomore, Junior, Senior - 20 hours per week, 50 weeks per year

During the summer and part-time during the school year, I work as a lifeguard for the Northern Colorado YMCA. This job provides me with opportunities to take responsibility, work alongside peers and help people. Life guarding requires me to be physically fit, attentive and organized with regard to my training requirements.

**Academic Experience**

UCSD Summer Springboard Program

Junior - 168 hours per week, 2 weeks per year

Attended the Summer Springboard Program at the University of California in San Diego following my Junior year of high school. Here, I was able to further an existing interest in my top choice for a major, strengthen my personal vision of success, and immerse myself into college life. I made connections with professionals in the field and students as well.

AP Scholar with Honor Award

Sophomore, Junior, Senior

Received an award which "recognizes exemplary college level achievement for attaining an average score of at least 3.25 on all AP exams taken, and scores of 3 or higher on four or more exams".

2025 Catholic Social Justice Scholarship Award Winner

Senior Year

Selected as the 2025 senior at Holy Family High School for this competitive scholarship by demonstrating commitment to involvement with social justice, human rights, world peace and environmental protections.

**Athletics**

Cross Country athlete

Freshman, Sophomore, Junior, Senior - 12 hours per week, 26 weeks per year. Varsity letter winner. Academic All-State First Team.

Track athlete

Freshman, Sophomore, Junior, Senior - 12 hours per week, 24 weeks per year.

Varsity letter winner. Academic All-State First Team.

**Community Service**

National Charity League

Freshman, Sophomore, Junior, Senior - 52 weeks per year

I have been a member of the National Charity for 6 years and have held board positions such as recording secretary, communication chair, VP programs, treasurer, and most recently VP Philanthropy. I get countless opportunities to serve my community when in need, alongside other mothers and daughters. These include making cheer cards for Children's Hospital, putting together meals for homeless shelters in Boulder county, and planning events for senior living facilities.

Mental Health Awareness Project

Junior - 2 hours per week, 12 weeks per year

Worked with a few of my peers to raise awareness on the importance of mental health access and removing the stigma. I created a presentation and gift bags with help resources and presented them to the freshman at our high school.

**Clubs and Activities**

Student Council

Freshman, Sophomore - 1 hours per week, 36 weeks per year

Freshman and sophomore year held the position of class representative where I organized winter formal dances and raised money for the school fundraisers.

Student Ambassador

Freshman, Sophomore, Junior, Senior - 36 weeks per year

I helped with orientation and hosted shadow students throughout all four years.

National Honor Society member

Junior, Senior - 2 hours per week, 52 weeks per year

I was inducted during my junior year and have been an active member since.