

## NOTEWORTHY CHARACTERISTICS

### INSTRUCTIONS:

Provide a maximum of *three* characteristics highlighting the most salient noteworthy characteristics of the medical student. This section should be presented as a bulleted list. Each characteristic should be described in **no more than 2 sentences**. Information about any significant challenges or hardships encountered by the student during medical school may be included.

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### Example #1:

- Maddie Medical has always exhibited compassion and a desire to care for children. She has dedicated her time volunteering at St. Francis Children's Hospital to gain experience in her future career as a Pediatrician.
  - During medical school, Maddie was an active member in SOMA and President of SGA. Advocating for policy changes across the county to create changes in healthcare is a future goal she hopes to continue after residency.
  - Maddie understands that as a future Pediatrician, she will face adversity in her role at times. Her past employment as a daycare worker allowed her to gain experience with children and learn how to interact professionally and respectfully with their families.
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### Example #2:

- Mark Medical suffered a major athletic injury in college. Through this experience, Mark developed an understanding of the difficult and long recovery process often associated with sports injuries and is hopeful to use this prior experience in his future career in Sports Medicine.
- Mark served as President of Student American Osteopathic Academy of Orthopedics (SAOAO). Through networking opportunities within this organization, he discovered orthopedic experiences while traveling abroad with Global Health.
- He was able to maintain a high ranking amongst his classmates in medical school and continues to coach his son in soccer during his free time.

### Important Tips:

- ✓ Use proper and professional wording and grammar (i.e., change the word “kids” to “children”)
- ✓ Spell out numbers under 10 (zero through nine) or if they appear at the beginning of a sentence
- ✓ Write in 3<sup>rd</sup> person point of view (do not use personal pronouns like “I”, “me” and “my”)
- ✓ Don’t list every club you belonged to – only list leadership positions
- ✓ Do list volunteer awards, if applicable, but not a full listing – only highlights
- ✓ Do list missionary work, if applicable, but not a full listing – only highlights

### Ideas for Noteworthy Characteristics:

- ✓ Life experiences
- ✓ Work experiences
- ✓ Research
- ✓ Leadership positions
- ✓ Community service
- ✓ Honors/Awards
- ✓ Hobbies
- ✓ Explanation of any difficulties

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