Dear Recommenders:

This applicant is applying to the Harvard-Amgen Scholars Program, to participate in the 10-week summer residential community of undergraduate researchers and interns. A critical factor in evaluating the application is evidence of initiative and motivation in an academic and/or research setting. The applicant has selected you to provide a letter of recommendation to the Harvard-Amgen Scholars Selection Committee. We thank you for your effort on the applicant’s behalf. We would appreciate it if you would address the following questions in your letter:

1. *How long and in what capacity do you know the applicant?*
2. *Can you provide brief examples of initiative, motivation, and determination in an academic and/or research activity?*
3. *Please address the applicant’s potential lab host selections. Why is this a good mutual fit?*
4. *How would the applicant benefit from and contribute to the Harvard-Amgen Scholars community?*

Once the Harvard-Amgen Scholar applicant has entered your information into our Centralized Application for Research and Travel (CARAT), you will receive an email prompt from carat.app@fas.harvard.edu with a link to upload your letter of recommendation to CARAT.

Please submit your letters of recommendation directly to CARAT. Please note that this is *not* an encrypted server system, and is provided for your convenience only.

The deadline for receipt of recommendations and student application materials is **February 1, 2023, 11:59PM, Eastern Standard Time (EST)**.

If you have any questions, please contact the Program Manager, Dr. Pamela Gaddi, at amgenscholars@harvard.edu.