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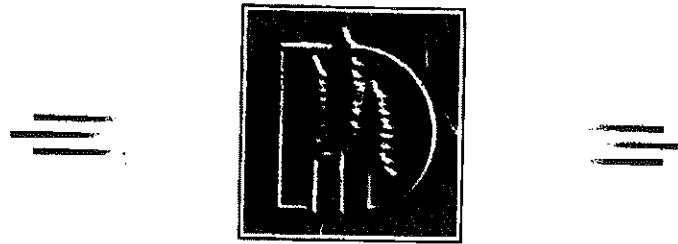
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### To Whom It May Concern:

Bernadeau Faurestal completed a Secondary School Certificate in Haiti in July 2014. This is only equivalent to three years of high school in the United States. When he emigrated here in December, he found he would need an Oregon Diploma. Unfortunately, he missed a significant portion of the 2014-15 school year (September to December), meaning that he could not complete the diploma requirements. He is currently enrolled in a second senior year to finish his requirements.

Respectfully,

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I am writing this letter in support of Bernadeau Faurestal, a student from Haiti who would like to compete in athletics during the 2015-16 school year.

Bernadeau came to David Douglas from Haiti in December 2014. He also brought his most recent transcript of grades, though it only contained his scores for the final year of secondary school.

It took most of the school year to obtain transcripts for all years of school Bernadeau had completed outside the US. We had originally classified him as a junior based on his age, but his transcripts showed that he started the equivalent of 9<sup>th</sup> grade in 2011, forcing us to reclassify him as a senior this past spring. That means he is a 5<sup>th</sup> year senior in the 15-16 school year. He needs to complete additional coursework to satisfy Oregon state requirements.

It is our belief at DDHS that Bernadeau should be allowed to compete in the 2015-16 school year. He has not competed in sports in the U.S. as he could not establish eligibility in 14-15 due to missing transcripts. He has shown himself to be an exemplary student and we look forward to him representing our school.

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