

## Letter of Explanation – Student

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Date: 9-3-15

To: OSAA/District Committee

From: Jesus Lora  
Please Print – Student

Jesus Lora  
Signature

**The following questions need to be answered to the satisfaction of the principal, athletic director, and the OSAA or district committee. Explain thoroughly.**

1. **How is it that the student finds themselves in this situation?**
2. **Why should an exception be made to the eligibility rules in this case?**

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September 3, 2015

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing this letter to help others understand why I have moved to different schools this year. Realizing that these situation can sometimes hurt a young man's ability to play soccer is stressful, and I want to take a moment to share with you how much I really want to play soccer and that I feel that I have an exception to the eligibility rule.

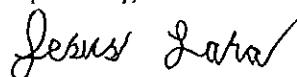
When I first went to West Salem High School as a Freshman, I was doing fairly well as a student and as a person. I made some choices though that I shouldn't have, and that I regret. I ended up being involved in a relationship with another girl that was traumatic to me. I became distracted and my grades dropped severely. My parents were also concerned so they ended up pulling me out of West Salem High School and put me in Salem Academy.

I very much wanted to turn over a new leaf and improve my life, and I am happy to share with you that I did just that. I finished my school year there with nearly straight A's. My parents and I have talked with me and told me that although they would like me to continue going to Salem Academy along with both my brothers but that it is too expensive. They told me they were proud of me and how well I have been doing, and that they trust me to go back to West Salem High School and keep on the great choices I have been making.

The sad thing is, my mom told me that I may not be able to play soccer at West Salem because of an eligibility rule. I truly want to play soccer and be a successful student while at West. Please allow me to play there, knowing that my family and I had only made transfers because of personal and financial reasons that preventing me from going to an expensive private school.

Thank you for taking the time to read my letter and for trusting my words.

Respectfully,



Jesus Roman Lara