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To whom I may concern:

My name is Emylie Poole. I am writing this letter in regards to my appeal. Last year was a rough transition for me. My family relocated from California to Oregon. So that was my first year at Sprague High School. So I was not familiar with the staff and did not have a lot of friends, so asking for help was not easy for me. I do have a IEP and I felt that most of my teachers did not accommodate my special needs when they we're called upon. For instance, I did not receive extra time when needed during testing or for projects. I did attempt to use extra resources which was after school tutoring and sometimes during lunch tutoring. Unfortunately this did not help me or my grades during finals. In fact, for most of my second semester I was spending every day after school in my English class and not once did my grade go above an F. I attempted several times throughout the school year to discuss these issues with my teachers and case carrier and unfortunately my case carrier retired halfway through the school year and I felt that most of my teachers were not very helpful. I feel this created difficulties for me at the school and making sure my resources were met.

My father and I have already met with this year's administrators at Sprague High School and have set up a meeting with the staff and myself during my first week back in school to make sure that my accommodations will be up to date and implemented this year. This is my senior year and I already feel I have more support from the school and my family. My main goal this year is to makes sure I graduate with my classmates on stage.

The reason for this letter is to ask that I be able to continue my school soccer career. I have played soccer for AYSO and my schools for as long as I can remember. I also feel that playing soccer helps to keep me focused, motivated and involved with school. This is my last year to be able to play for my High School and I would really appreciate the opportunity to do so. I honestly feel that if I had a little more assistance and support last year, this letter would not have been necessary. I would just like to take a moment to say thank you for the opportunity to hear my side.

Very truly yours,

Emylie Poole