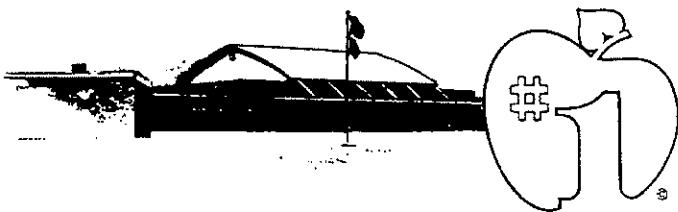


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To the Big Sky Conference Hardship Committee:

This letter is being drafted in regards to Conner and Colton Baughn and the decisions that will be made impacting their eligibility status.

Although it has only been a couple weeks, both Conner and Colton have had a great start to the school year. Each of these young men has started to develop healthy and appropriate relationships with both students and staff. They have already begun to claim ownership here in the Dufur School District where, upon completion of the moving process they are in, they will soon be living. This past weekend was a perfect illustration to the successful start these students have made.

During our Annual Dufur Classic both boys volunteered their time to help. Conner and Colton were present for all three days of the event, two of which there was no school where they had to find transportation to and from the event. While many students would do there hour of two volunteered time, Connor and Colton were very helpful through entire day in a variety of settings, stepping up when needed with no hesitation.

Allowing both Conner and Colton to participate in school sports would not only further enhance their transition to Dufur School District but allow them to be a part of a team. As a part of that team they would be representing a school and culture that they are already becoming a part of. Further developing this sense of ownership will only result in further success and stability for both Conner and Colton.

If you have any further questions or concerns please feel free to contact me.

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that appears to read "A. Leo Baptiste".

Leo Baptiste  
Dufur School District  
Principal