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To Whom It May Concern:

This letter is in reference to Johnny Stevenson. Johnny is a senior and currently enrolled at Reynolds High School. Johnny is currently academically ineligible as stated by **Rule 8.1.2, Satisfactory Progress Toward Graduation** in the OSAA Handbook and this letter is a request for him to be granted eligibility so that he can participate in football at Reynolds High School.

Johnny was born with a learning disability that includes Asperger Syndrome. Throughout his life he has struggled with depression and anxiety. He has also lived through domestic violence, frequent moves, family illness, as well as financial hardship. Johnny and his family have taken all of these hardships in stride and have tried everything they can to ensure that Johnny has the same opportunities to be successful as everyone else his age.

During his time at Reynolds High School, Johnny has struggled academically as a result of his personal and family struggles. Despite being credit deficient in his progress toward graduation, Johnny is currently meeting the requirements of his Individualized Education Plan (IEP). He is enrolled in Credit Recovery as part of his class schedule and intends on taking evening Credit Recovery as well through Mt. Hood Community College in order to get back on track to graduate.

Johnny is hoping to play football for Reynolds this Fall so that he can “escape” the hardships at home. It will also serve as an incentive for him to do well in the classroom as well as continue to meet his IEP requirements. If Johnny were to be granted eligibility to play football, his academic progress would be closely monitored by his counselor, case worker, as well as the athletic department. He will also be required to attend weekly study halls before school. If at any point his grades were to be substandard, he would lose his football eligibility. If you have any questions or need some more information about Johnny please contact me as soon as possible. Thanks for your time and consideration

Sincerely,

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