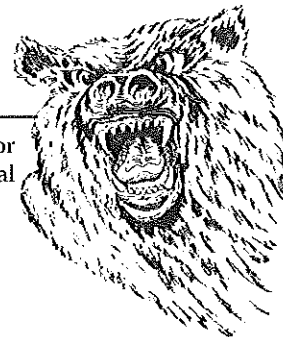


Athletic Department
ASHLAND HIGH SCHOOL

KARL KEMPER, Athletic Director
Assistant Principal



September 14, 2015

To the members of the District Committee:

We are requesting a hardship eligibility approval for Martin Anema. He is an 11th grade student who transferred to Ashland High School at the beginning of this school year, who is living with his aunt and uncle in Ashland. He is currently ineligible due to a transfer without change of joint residence. He would like to play soccer on our JV team.

In Colorado, Martin's parents live in separate households and he was splitting time between them. As described by him, he was "not getting along" with his dad and then began to live with his mother full-time until "my mom told me I wasn't welcome in her house anymore." He said he then worked it out to be able to go back to half time living at each household. He said he continued to "have trouble and was slacking off in school."

Martin came to visit his great aunt and uncle in Ashland this summer, initially planned as three week stay. After discussion, they invited him to stay for the school year so he could get a fresh start. We know them to be a rock solid family who had three students that thrived during their time at AHS.

Martin has been practicing with our JV soccer team, attending both school and practice regularly. We believe that he is more likely to have a successful experience at AHS if he is able to participate in extracurricular activities. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Karl Kemper