



September 18, 2015

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing this letter on behalf of Benje Orozco Jr. Benje is a new student to Western Mennonite School for the 2015-16 school year. He is currently ineligible because he is 1.0 credit short of making satisfactory progress towards graduation according to OSAA Rule 8.1.2. I am writing to request that Benje be ruled eligible to participate in athletics this fall athletic season despite not meeting the requirement.

Benje suffered a severe concussion in late October of the 2014-15 school year. The concussion caused him to be hospitalized from November 9 – November 24. After being released from the hospital he was admitted into a Post Care Treatment Center from November 25 – December 5. These hospitalizations obviously caused Benje to miss the entire 1<sup>st</sup> semester of the school year. He did not receive any credit for that semester as indicated on his transcripts.

When he started school back up 2<sup>nd</sup> semester, he had a 504 plan that served to help modify his expectations and requirements for assignments as he was still recovering from the effects of the concussion. He went from taking AP courses to being placed on a modified schedule with low intensity courses.

Because of this traumatic event, Benje was unable to earn credit. He has transferred to Western Mennonite to get a new start. The family has decided to have him repeat his 10<sup>th</sup> grade year here at WMS because of missing an entire semester of learning. We ask that you grant Benje eligibility to participate.

If you have any further questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Yours in Educational Excellence,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Chad Rush'.

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