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To whom it may Concern:

Please consider this formal request for hardship concerning Xavier Delacruz. Xavier transferred to the Elkton Charter School prior to school beginning in 2015. Xavier transferred from the North Douglas School District. He has an extremely poor academic and attendance history. This is due in part to circumstances beyond his control. Xavier has been in foster care since a very young age. He is currently a ward of the court living in a fairly new foster home. Amongst other things Xavier has moved between homes, and suffered the loss of his birth mother in 2011. This most certainly has added to his struggles in the academic setting.

Upon arrival in Elkton, Xavier has made great strides. He has been a pleasant person to be around, and has been engaged in activities. Xavier expressed his desire to play on the football team. He has been practicing with the team, but is ineligible due to his poor academic past. In discussions with him early in the year I told him if he could show passing grades, good attendance and good citizenship, I would consider filing a hardship at the mid- term. Xavier has exceeded these expectations on all accounts. This is a truly remarkable feat from a student that has struggled so much in the past.

In considering this hardship, please understand that Xavier has been assigned to a fifth year track. If he is not eligible this year, he would only have one year of eligibility left. He has much work to do to get back on track to graduate. Athletics seems to be a positive influence on his life. He has been given the opportunity to be part of our team. He has been held accountable as a student for the first time in his High School career. Please consider granting him a hardship to become eligible to play this football season.

I understand that this is an extraordinary request. I also understand that we have this student going in the right direction for the first time. The district will design a comprehensive plan to monitor Xavier's grades and citizenship. He will be held accountable and will not participate if he is not being successful. We thank you in advance for your consideration in this matter. If possible, we request either acceptance or denial by 10-16-15.

Regards,

Andy Boe

Superintendent

Elkton School District