

Dear Coach Kemper

We were disappointed to learn Caleb is not eligible to try out for and compete in basketball this year at Ashland High.

Our family was hit hard in 2012 with great loss and my husband, Caleb's father, was also battling cancer. Our first 3 children were finished with College and Caleb was entering middle school. We made the decision to pack up, move to Maui, and travel, in an effort to heal and come together as a family in a way that our busy, previous lives had prevented us from doing.

What we didn't realize was homeschooling Caleb outside of an accredited program would hold him back upon entrance into public school if he chose to down the road. In hindsight this should have been obvious, but I guess we figured as long as we kept him learning & educated it didn't matter how we did it.

In December of last year Caleb expressed his desire to return to public school. We have friends in Ashland and actually knew the school district was a good one. So we packed up and moved to Ashland this year in time for Caleb to begin the school year.

When we met with a counselor we learned Caleb would begin school as a ~~freshman~~ Sophomore behind in 5 credits. It was suggested he enroll in online courses at BYU Independent Courses, and he did, to catch him up on credits.

He is currently enrolled in 9 classes at Ashland High and 3 courses at BYU Independent Study. Although Caleb is doing well and earning A+B, he was spending all of his time and late hours on school work, so we have set his ~~more~~ partially completed online courses on hold, to be completed this summer.

Our family is doing well and it has been wonderful to watch Caleb return to school and flourish in both academics and sports free of stress + sadness from loss and illness.

We appreciate the Athletic policy and trust ^{this} ~~their~~ is in place for the benefit of the student athletes.

We are also hoping that Caleb may fall under some exemption of hardship from this rule that would prevent him from trying out and competing as an athlete at Ashland High.

We look forward to any guidance you can give us in helping Caleb in this matter.

Respectfully
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Family

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