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To Whom It May Concern,

We are writing today to ask you to please approve Taren McDowell's eligibility to wrestle for Gresham High School

Taren was put on a modified diploma the end of his freshman year to help with his IEP.

Taren knows he has a disability and it takes longer for him to learn.

at the same time Taren also needs to obtain a level of normalcy with his peers. We have been able to do this thru the wrestling program Coach [redacted] has put together. The structure and ~~home~~ study time

wrestling provides are key to helping Taren. We did not know last year ~~that~~ we could write and ask for your help. It was devastating for Taren that he could not wrestle with his peers.

This year Taren is struggling with the new of Coach DeRemer admissions and is currently going to therapy to talk about the anger and mistrust that he feels. Letting Taren wrestle this year will also help with what he is going thru.

Today we had Taren's 3 year IEP evaluation and his grades have improved since last year. due to the fact that he knows he

has to maintain his grades to wrestle. His Special ED Teacher Ryan Leavenworth agrees that by letting Taren wrestle this year it will help him to stay motivated to do better in school. Please contact Mr Leavenworth if you have any questions regarding ~~#~~ Taren's IEP.

I would like to thank you for your time and consideration in reading my letter and letting Taren wrestle this year.

Sincerely  
Faustina McDowell  
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