

December, 2015

ATTN: OSAA Hardship Committee

RE: Eric Reid

Eric was a student at David Douglas for his freshman year. He struggled in a variety of ways which led to a severe lack of credits. His mother, in looking for a better setting for Eric, and finding a job in the area, transferred Eric to Wilsonville High School. Soon, early in his sophomore year, Eric was put on an IEP, which has provided needed support and guidance. He began to have success in his classes, and last spring, he passed at least five of six classes. His Academic Counselor, Andre Abraham, provides a few specifics in his letter.

Eric is learning to apply himself and work toward a high school diploma. He became interested in participating in extra-curricular activities, and is currently working to play JV2 basketball. He was below the minimum ten credits entering into this school year, his junior year. Mr. Abraham has been working with Eric in getting to ten credits by the winter break. Eric has completed the necessary courses and has reached ten credits.

Eric has not been involved at the school. We now see him engaged with what is happening here and engaged in his own learning. Although he had a challenging December, where his grades slipped, due to family situations. We are confident he can get back on track.

In the fall, we did not apply for a hardship to request eligibility. Our agreement with Eric was to get ten credits, and we will put things in motion in hopes he can participate in January and February. We intentionally waited for the report before we submitted the request for eligibility.

We would like to keep the momentum he has established for himself, and motivate Eric by getting him involved and competing in our athletic program. He has been giving his best effort in completing the necessary credits and has earned the opportunity to be involved in extra-curricular activities this year.

Again, we have seen improvement in Eric's understanding the need to focus on his education. We are formalizing a plan to ensure that he continues to strengthen his academic skills, pass each class, and achieve the necessary credits he lacks to graduate from Wilsonville. The goal is to have Eric credit-whole by August 15, 2016.

I am requesting that the OSAA Hardship Committee grant eligibility for Eric.

Thank you in advance for your consideration. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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