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To whom it may concern,

Hi my name is Dakota Durfey and I am 15 years old. I was informed that I needed to write a letter for hardship in order to play a spring sport since I transferred during the current school year. So here is my letter explaining my reasons for transferring schools.

I transferred from Riverside High School to Heppner High School starting at the new semester. I have never been happier that my parents finally agreed to allow me to attend a different school. I have been asking to transfer schools not long after my 7<sup>th</sup> grade year. To me Riverside High has just never felt like a good fit for me. I have asked my parents to transfer on numerous occasions and have always gotten the same answer "No". I have always wanted to transfer just to try someplace new and see what other possibilities there are somewhere else.

This year I chose not to play basketball and I took a lot of flak from students and peers for not playing and it made wanting to continue going to school at Riverside that much more difficult. My parents were aware of the situation occurring and they finally said "yes" you can go to Heppner High now.

I have never been this excited about going to school and it feels good. It is nice to wake up and look forward to something. I feel motivated and excited to do well in school, and feel Heppner High is the best place for me to succeed at that.

I hope that I will still be allowed to play my spring sport this year even though I transferred at semester to better myself as a student and to attend a school I love waking up and going to.

Sincerely,

Dakota Durfey  
Heppner High Student

