

February 05, 2016

Dear K.T. Emerson and the Oregon School Activities Association,

My name is Casey Layton and I am the mother of Jyles Layton, a senior at Milwaukie High School (MHS), in Milwaukie, Oregon. The following is a request to approve a clearance for Jyles to compete for the MHS varsity boys' basketball team.

Jyles did not pass his Algebra II course he voluntarily registered for as an elective. He attempted the course in an effort to increase his preparedness for college. I became aware that Jyles was struggling in the course and reached out to the course instructor to find out ways to get Jyles support. We signed Jyles up for private tutoring in addition to coordinating additional test prep and peer tutoring. In the end, Jyles was not able to meet the course standards for passing.

I would like to request that due to Jyles' history of citizenship, attendance and academic record that he is granted an approval to continue playing and competing on the basketball team. In spite of this mishap, he has already completed the math requirement and is on track to graduate this spring. Jyles has expressed to me that he values the team experience and does not want to let his team-mates down.

Please feel free to contact me if you have questions about the content of this request. We appreciate the hard work that the administrators, teachers and other school officials put in to support Jyles' scholastic success.

Best,



Casey Layton

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