

To whom it may concern,

This letter is to explain the timeline and resulting inadequate credits for my son Matthew Brock to participate in Spring Track.

Matthew sustained a concussion during a football game on October 15th, 2015...he did not get knocked out nor was he woozy at any time for a few days after. He started to complain about headaches and not feeling right, sensitive to light and noise, confused and emotional. We took Matthew to his primary care physician a week later and she confirmed the concussion and referred us to the Providence Sports Clinic for physical therapy and occupational therapy. His eyes were not tracking correctly and his balance and emotional state was not good.

After slow progress (very individual) we were referred to the OHSU concussion doctors in December and they prescribed continued OT & PT for 5 long months until he was recently cleared to participate in Track and resume normal class activities by his OHSU doctors. Matthew has been attending classes this term but has been wearing sunglasses, earplugs and taking frequent trips to the nurse's office to have some quiet time until his headaches subside and he can return to class. He is almost normal now and is doing great in his classes.

During meeting with school counselors it was decided that since his grades were very good and being at school with all of the doctor's limitations it would be best to withdraw him for the rest of the winter term and re-enroll him this spring knowing he would have to make up a few credits in the summer online. The lack of credits never crossed our minds in regards to eligibility.

We respectfully ask that Matthew be granted a medical hardship to be able to participate in this track season. Matthew's grades are very good at this time and the grades he received with partial credits were very good as well...just didn't get full credits because of the withdrawal from the winter term.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

Sincerely,

Matt Brock

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