

Dear Mr. Smith

I haven't had a stable home environment. We moved so much and then I would be curious if we would move again. I was irritated because I didn't know if I would start at a new school. It was too much, we were always moving.

Since my dad hasn't been in my life it has made an effect on my life. He used to be the one to help with homework. And now, I have to help mom more with errands and around the house.

My grandpa passed away. After I found out about it it just hit me. I didn't feel like I wanted to have to go to school or do homework. I fell off school, I didn't really care. I was just holding it in and the more I held it in the more I stopped caring. I've talked to my mom about it and she was like don't let that affect you at school and I thought yeah you're right. That's when I started doing my work again.

I wasn't on my meds for a while. My whole freshman year and my whole first semester of sophomore year. I would act out and get in trouble and get suspended. I wouldn't do my work and I would ditch class. Now that I'm on medicine and I have Ms. Greene to support me and now my teachers are on the same page with me I can focus now in class and control myself. I have people I can go to to get help on my assignments. I am more focused and less distracted.

When I compare my grades from last year to now, my grades have gotten better. And my attendance has gotten even better. I love track. I would appreciate if you would let me participate in track and field. Track helps me to be motivated in school and outside of school to do the right thing. I want to be successful and graduate high school. I want to go to college and participate in athletics. I want to show my family and peers that I can be successful. I want to live the American dream and I'm going to do what it takes to be great.

Sincerely Nydir Sims