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To: Matt Fetsch
From: Lenny Ohlhauser, AD Davies High School
Date: September 3, 2014
Regarding: Eligibility Waiver

Matt,

I am writing a request to be put on the agenda for the September board meeting. The request is for discussion to waive the 180 day eligibility for a student who is enrolled at Davies.

We have a student who was previous enrolled at Fargo North. He was living with his mother, who resides in the North boundaries. In August, his father who lived in Minnesota, relocated to Fargo and resides in the Davies boundaries. His parents were never married and he has lived with mom in Fargo. When dad moved to Fargo, he moved in with dad, who has, through Minnesota courts, Recognition of Parentage as to his son.

Under the current eligibility requirements, this student is to be deemed ineligible for varsity athletics due the fact parents were never married. We believe this ruling is punishing the student for something he had no control over. If his situation was that of where his parents were married, and then divorced, and in the divorce decree, joint custody was given; he would be allowed one move and still be considered eligible.

We contend that because this student's parents were never married, he is being held to a different set of standards. We would like to ask that his eligibility be waived and allow him to be eligible for one move as an individual whose parents were divorced.

Thank you for your time,

Lenny Ohlhauser
Davies High School