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To: TK Kennedy, Principal – Legion Collegiate Academy
From: Jerome Singleton, Commissioner
Subject: Time of scheduled appearance before Executive Committee
Date: January 10, 2020

You are scheduled to appear before the Executive Committee on January 15, 2020, to present your case for sanction relief. The meeting will be held at the South Carolina High School League Office, 121 Westpark Boulevard, Columbia, South Carolina. Your scheduled appearance time is 9:00 a.m.

Please refer to page 1 of the League's By-Laws for the procedures to be used when making appeals to the Executive Committee. You are to forward copies of your request brief to members of the Executive Committee. Each committee person must receive a complete copy of all pertinent information prior to the meeting. You will have 10 minutes to make your presentation to the Committee.

Date: January 15, 2020
Time: 9:00 a.m.
Site: South Carolina High School League
121 Westpark Boulevard
Columbia, South Carolina



505 University Drive
Rock Hill, SC 29730

November 18th, 2019
Commissioner Jerome Singleton
South Carolina High School League
121 Westpark Blvd. Columbia, SC 29210

Greetings Commissioner Singleton,

I received your notification this morning and was asked to response within 4 hours. I am writing you this letter to express Legion's interest to appeal the SCHSL 's ruling of Katie Werner's participation in athletics. (a) LCA planned to appeal, and (b.) LCA would prefer the appeal to be heard at the following SCHSL Executive Committee meeting in January given that the issues do not appear to be time sensitive and LCA needs time to prepare and submit the appeal and make arrangements to attend the meeting. In addition, please freeze any time sensitive penalties or fines concerning this issue.

Sincerely,

TK Kennedy Ed. D, Principal
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Dr. TK Kennedy, Principal
Legion Collegiate Academy
505 University Drive
Rock Hill, South Carolina 29730

RE: Katie Warner

Dear Dr. Kennedy:

As you are aware, I previously received your correspondence dated October 11, 2019, in which you requested reconsideration of the SCHSL's initial decision determining Katie Warner to be ineligible for athletic participation. I also received the formal hardship request from Legion Collegiate Academy (LCA) on behalf of Katie Warner dated October 16, 2019.

By letter dated October 17, 2019, I responded to you by (a) providing Rock Hill High School's response to our request for information based on your initial letter and supporting materials; (b) granting the hardship request for Katie Warner moving forward; (c) providing my decision that Katie Warner was ineligible by rule until the hardship request was granted; and (d) requesting clarification from LCA about its decision not to pursue a hardship request for Katie Warner prior to allowing her to participate in fall sports. I have since received your letter dated October 28, 2019, in which you provided LCA's rationale for believing the student could participate before receiving approval of a hardship request.

First, both the Rock Hill High School athletic director and the League's counsel disagree with the description of their communications regarding the applicability of Section 10(M) of the League's bylaws as outlined in your October 28th letter. This transfer rule exception for intra-district transfers clearly requires the approval of the superintendent(s) and schools' principals. There has been no evidence presented to the League indicating that Rock Hill High School's superintendent ever approved Katie Warner's transfer.

Furthermore, if LCA truly believed that Katie Warner was eligible as an intra-district transfer student, it should have designated her as such on the certificate of eligibility for girls golf. There was no such transfer designation for her on the certificate of eligibility that was submitted prior to the first contest of the season.

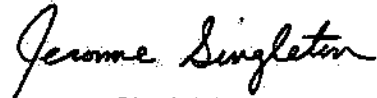
Therefore, I do not believe LCA has shown sufficient justification as to why it did not pursue a hardship request for Katie Warner prior to her participation nor request clarification from the League office given Rock Hill High School's belief that a hardship request was necessary. Under Article III, Section 16 of the League's Bylaws, I am imposing the following penalties:

1. A fine of \$2,500.00 for knowingly permitting an ineligible student to participate.
2. The girl's golf team will forfeit all individual points earned by Katie Warner in any contests in which she participated prior to October 17, 2019.
3. The girl's golf program will be placed on restricted probation for the 2020-2021 school year. Restricted probation means:
 - a. Limited to one scrimmage
 - b. No participation in any jamborees or invitationals
 - c. If the school qualifies, it will be permitted to participate in playoffs.

If you wish to appeal this decision, please notify the League office no later than Monday, November 18, 2019 by 12:00 pm.

If you have any additional questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jerome Singleton". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Jerome Singleton
Commissioner



October 28, 2019

VIA E-MAIL

Mr. Jerome Singleton, Commissioner
South Carolina High School League
121 Westpark Blvd.
Columbia, SC 29210

Dear Commissioner Singleton:

I am in receipt of your letter dated October 17, 2019, in which you requested additional information about the circumstances leading to Legion Collegiate Academy ("LCA") filing a hardship petition for Katie Warner in October 2019. The purpose of this letter is to provide you with additional information.

Initially, I would like to thank you for granting Katie Warner's eligibility to participate as part of the LCA girls' golf team for the remainder of the 2019-2020 season. Katie is an exceptional student-athlete, and she and her teammates will greatly benefit from her participation on the golf team.

As for LCA's decision not to pursue a hardship request for Katie Warner earlier, the decision simply arose out of a series of misunderstandings between all parties as to Katie's status. When Katie's situation first arose in late August 2019, LCA thought a hardship request might be required. At that time, LCA's athletic director prepared a draft hardship request application. However, Rock Hill High School's athletic director informed LCA's athletic director that this was not a hardship situation and that Katie would be eligible as a transfer student under Section 10(M) of the South Carolina High School League ("SCHSL") By-Laws with a letter of support from RHHS. Upon receiving a letter of support for Katie from RHHS's Principal in early September, LCA also thought that Katie was eligible under Section 10(M). LCA's counsel communicated with the SCHSL's counsel in early September, discussed the information available at the time, and the SCHSL's counsel indicated that a hardship appeared unnecessary since a letter of support from the former school was obtained.

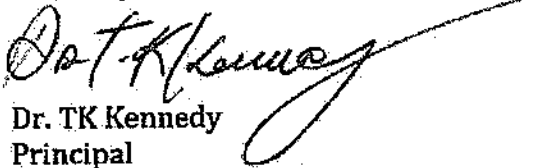
Additionally, there was an initial misunderstanding about the number of classes Katie attended at RHHS in August 2019. Specifically, it was initially misunderstood by some that Katie attended only one class at RHHS in August 2019, rather than one full week of classes. Based on the initial misunderstanding about the number of classes Katie attended at RHHS in late August 2019, LCA's counsel believed Katie was not a transfer student, but was eligible as an upperclassman attending classes at a new member school in its inaugural year.

In summary, based on the information above, in early September, LCA did not believe it needed to submit any further documentation to the SCHSL in connection with Katie's eligibility.

On October 1, 2019, LCA received an email from Skip Lax in which he declared Katie ineligible. Upon receiving the email, LCA investigated Katie's situation further along with the SCHSL's Bylaws concerning student eligibility. After speaking with Katie and her mother and consulting with legal counsel, LCA determined that a hardship application was necessary for Katie to gain eligibility and submitted paperwork to the SCHSL for consideration.

I appreciate your consideration of this information and respectfully request that the SCHSL reconsider the related punishments imposed on LCA. If you have any additional questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



Dr. TK Kennedy
Principal



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After reviewing your October 11 letter and supporting materials, we requested information from Rock Hill High School in order to evaluate the claims asserted by LCA regarding Rock Hill High School's role in the events at issue. A copy of their response is enclosed.

I believe there are two separate issues before me. The first issue is Katie Warner's eligibility moving forward. Based on the information provided by LCA and Rock Hill High School, I will grant the hardship request for Katie Warner to be eligible from this date forward. My decision is primarily based on the fact that the student never appeared to mislead either school about her intentions to make up the time needed to earn academic credit from the 2018-2019 school year at Rock Hill High School while also intending to enroll at LCA for the 2019-2020 school year. Furthermore, Rock Hill High School indicated support for a hardship request in August when this situation began.

The second issue involves LCA's contention that Katie Warner was eligible as of August 1, 2019. I disagree with your contention that the student was eligible by rule at LCA because she was not "enrolled" at Rock Hill High School prior to beginning at LCA on LCA's first day of class. Based on the information provided to me, the student was enrolled at Rock Hill High School until formally withdrawing on August 29, 2019. Additionally, she successfully made up the class time at Rock Hill High School during the week of August 19, and she would have been recognized as an enrolled student to do so.

To the extent that your October 11 letter seeks a hardship for relief from any penalties that may be imposed upon LCA or the student for participating as an

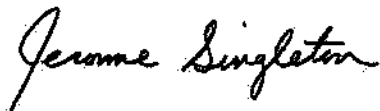
ineligible player under Article III, Section 16(B), I am troubled by the fact that it appears LCA considered making a hardship request immediately after these events occurred in August and in fact, obtained statements in support of a hardship request. However, no hardship request was ever made to the League office, and LCA allowed the student to participate.

In your October 11 letter, you wrote, "When Katie began classes at LCA on September 3, 2019, we believed her to be an eligible player based on her status as an upperclassmen enrollee at LCA during its inaugural year. Because of this, we did not believe it was necessary for any transfer student paperwork to be completed prior to her participation in golf." However, LCA's athletic director apparently prepared a hardship request letter dated August 28, 2019, which was never sent to the League along with statements from the student and her mother dated August 20, 2019. I would like to know more information as to why LCA decided not to pursue a hardship request for Katie Warner prior to her participation in fall sports, or at the very least, contact the League office for clarification on its interpretation of the student's enrollment at Rock Hill High School in August. It was evident to LCA that Rock Hill High School believed a hardship request was necessary for the student to be eligible at LCA, and your October 11 letter acknowledges that Rock Hill High School communicated with the League office about this issue on August 19.

I would appreciate you providing any additional information regarding LCA's decision not to pursue the hardship request for Katie Warner in late August or early September prior to my final decision on your request for relief from the penalties.

If you have any additional questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jerome Singleton". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "J" and "S".

Jerome Singleton
Commissioner



Application for Hardship Exceptions
South Carolina High School League
PO Box 211575
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803-798-0120

A waiver of the South Carolina High School League eligibility is possible under By-Laws, Article III, Section 5 of the League's Handbook and may be considered if conditions exist or existed causing a student to be in violation of a rule. There cannot be an exception to the age rule. Please complete this form and furnish the additional information needed to develop acceptable proof that the student should be considered for this waiver

1. School applying for exception Legion Collegiate Academy
2. Name of Student Katie Warner Grade 11
3. Date student enrolled in your school 2-11-2019
4. If a transfer student, list formers school's
Name: Rock Hill High School
Address: 320 West Springdale Road, Rock Hill. SC 29730
Principal: Ozzie Ahl
Telephone: 803-981-1300
5. a. For which rule are you requesting an exception? (Circle One)
Residence/Transfer Four-Year Rule Attendance Academics
b. Special Conditions Criteria: (Circle One)
Extraordinary Circumstances Medical Financial
6. Include a transcript, if it is needed to support the request. (Required for appeal of Four-Year Rule & Attendance/Academic Rule)
7. School officials must include a brief narrative explaining the situation and why they feel this student should be considered for hardship. You must clearly state what you perceive to be the hardship.
8. Include written statements from individuals that have personal knowledge of the facts. We need those persons in authoritative positions such as: school officials; including principals, superintendents, counselors, etc., and doctors, social workers, employers, ministers, etc.
9. Include written statements from parents.
10. Include a written statement of support from the administration of the former school.

T. H. H. H.
Signature of Superintendent or Principal

10/16/19
Date

LEAGUE ACTION

Jerome Singleton
Signed

10/17/19
Date

Legion Collegiate Academy

August 28, 2019

505 University Drive
Rock Hill, SC 29730

Dear Mr. Singleton:

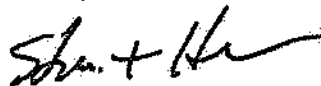
This letter is written to address a hardship issue for a student attending Legion Collegiate Academy, the new charter school in Rock Hill. Katie Warner is a student who is one of the earliest enrollees to LCA filing her paperwork on February 11, 2019. She is a golfer and formally attended Rock Hill High School.

Due to construction at LCA's temporary site our school's first day for students is September 3rd which is two weeks and two days later than the other schools in our area. I was contacted on August 19th by Rock Hill High School's Athletics Director, Bill Warren, who let me know that Katie showed up at Rock Hill High and attended a first block class. He informed me that he tracked her down and asked what she was doing there and she responded that she had to do some seat time to make up hours for a Spanish class she has not gotten credit for due to absences.

In my opinion, there is no excuse for Katie not having this matter rectified before the start of a new school year. The issue with her "seat time" should have been handled much sooner and, therefore, this issue would not have arisen. Needless to say, we cannot go back and change the past. I would ask that you consider the hardship for this player based on the lack of knowledge of SC High School League eligibility rules by her, her parents, and the school guidance counselor. Katie expressed to me that the guidance counselor told her to go to class but knew that she was transferring to LCA. I believe both of them thought they were doing correctly based on the school policy. The counselor needed her to go to class thinking that is what she had to do to recoup her hours and Katie, being a well-mannered, young student, was complying to what the adult told her. I believe if either had known the eligibility rules, she would never have attended that first block class.

At this time Katie is enrolled at LCA and begins classes on September 3rd. I am hopeful that this unfortunate situation will not lead to Katie being unable to participate in golf as she has a very bright future. However, I have and I will continue to use this example for others hoping this kind of mistake will not happen again.

Sincerely,



Strait Herron
Athletic Director

Katie E. Warner
2937 Forest Hills Circle
Rock Hill, S.C. 29732

August 20, 2019

Dear Mr. Singleton:

I wanted to apologize, straight off the bat for causing a problem. I went to Rock Hill High the first day of school to take a friend and find out about how I could make up my hours needed to pass Spanish class. I walked in and said "I'm attending at Legion this year and still have hours to make up". I was told "to make up seat time, I needed to attend class". I took this to mean I needed to go to class or walk out and fail Spanish. I wasn't prepared at all. I was not in dress code (in pajamas), and no book bag. I planned on going straight home. I went to my first block class and I didn't have a second block class. I went to my guidance counselor and she told me "she didn't even try to make me a schedule because she knew I wasn't going to attend". I was then stopped by a Coach and was asked to go to Bill Warrens office. I completely take full responsibility for my FA hours. I should have taken care of this the beginning of summer. Now, all my hours are fully completed and done with. I don't blame anyone for what happened, I just wish I was sent to someone who could've help me understand my options.

I have been playing golf since I could walk. Golf is my life! Having Kim Case by my side, will keep me on track and will give me daily instruction. It will be a great honor for me to even have the opportunity to play for Legion's Academy. I have been looking forward to Legion's Academy since it has came about. I want to attend Legion's to better myself and my future (for the chance to get a full ride to college). I would love having a coach with me every day to improve and learn so much more about golf. My swing coach is Tiger Jordan, and I only get to see him maybe once every two weeks(costly for my family). I am excited about having a golf club in my hand everyday and a coach helping me. I am a very good ball striker. If given the chance, I hope to have at Legion's, I will become a much better golfer. I have high hopes for my future! Thank you so much for giving me your time and understanding.

Sincerely,

Katie E Warner

Katie Warner

Holly L Warner
2937 Forest Hills Circle
Rock Hill, SC 29732

August 20, 2019

Dear Mr. Singleton:

I am writing on behalf of my daughter, Katie Warner. Her only goal right now is to get a scholarship to college through playing golf. Our family (especially Katie) feels like the best way for her to improve enough to get a scholarship is through daily instruction. We would, in no way, intentionally do anything to prevent that from happening. To us, this is her future.

Katie was late returning from ATC several days last semester at Rock Hill High and missed an entire day at the end of the semester which caused her to not get a grade in Spanish until she did seat time. Katie should have taken care of this at the beginning of summer. Katie called the school and was told she could wait until school started back.


Last week I called Ms Stillwell, and she told me make up classes began on Tuesday and for me to wait until the end of the week to transfer Katie's grades to Legions. On Monday, August 19, Katie was asked to take a friend to school so his mom could walk his younger siblings to their classrooms on the first day of school. I asked Katie to find out from Ms. Stillwell what time seat time would be on Tuesday since she was already going to be at Rock Hill High School. Katie had no intentions of staying at school, she was not even in dress code for school. Ms. Stillwell told Katie she would have to stay at school in order to do her seat time. What neither of them, nor myself, knew was this was against Athletic rules. So, Katie went to class and texted me that she had to stay at school. Soon thereafter, one of the coaches saw Katie and knew she shouldn't be there. He took her to Mr. Warren who called Legions and your office to see what we needed to do. At this point, our whole lives went from trying to teach our daughter a responsibility lesson (that she has to be responsible for her actions) to losing the opportunity to play golf for a year and maybe the chance of going to college on a scholarship. I don't blame anybody except myself for not asking the right person.

The hardship for Katie would be her desire to go to college on a golf scholarship could be jeopardized by missing a year of school competition. She has worked many years on her game and still needs to improve to make sure she can get a scholarship. She struggles with the pressure of competition. She needs to play. This school will give Katie up to four hours of golf instruction a day for the girls on the golf team. This also could be jeopardized due to girls playing in tournaments and Katie not needing instruction before a tournament she wouldn't be playing in. Another hardship for Katie emotionally is not being part of a team.

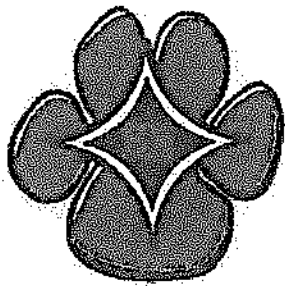
The hardship for Katie's father and I would be financially. We could not afford to send our oldest son to school and we fear we won't be able to send Katie without a scholarship. Her father has had five back surgeries and is on disability. If he was still working, our combined incomes would be different. I am self employed and my income varies with our business. As it is, sometimes we struggle.

I'm really appreciative of all the help we have received from everybody at Rock Hill High School, Legions Collegiate Academy and your committee in an attempt to fix our mistake. We apologize for the trouble and inconvenience we have caused. We truly appreciate your time and consideration in this situation.

Sincerely,



Holly L Warner



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Arthur W. Ahl, II

"Ozzie"

Principal

aaahl@rhmail.org

September 3, 2019

Commissioner Singleton,

I have been asked to write a letter of endorsement for hardship appeal for a former Rock Hill High School student, Katie Warner. The endorsement is that she be allowed to play golf at Legion Academy this year. At the end of the day, I support the eligibility request for this young lady. I do not believe the issues that necessitated a hardship appeal were totally issues that should be placed on the student. I will attempt to outline my reasoning and some serious concerns that come to light as looking deeper into this situation.

Our story would have to start last spring when Ms. Warner made it clear to our staff that she would be attending Legion starting in the fall of 2019. This was based on what she and the parents felt was a sound decision due to the opportunity that is afforded to students in this academic/athletic model. Katie is a good golfer that aspires to play at the college level and the reduced hours in school would allow for more practice time on the course. She and her parents feel that she will have more time on the course and opportunities for individual coaching. There was never any issue between Katie and RHHS about their decision. The only concern from RHHS was that the soon to be hired golf coach at Legion had contacted Katie and several other golfers in the York County area about the new program that was coming. This was not a major issue because Legion was not open, and Legion not a member school at the time.

Katie finished the 2nd semester with four FAs due to missing seat time. She was able to recover three of those credits with make-up time during the spring semester and the 1st week of the summer. However, due to her summer golf and work schedule, Katie was not able to recover the 4th course. This left her with seven successful credits and a FA for one course in her 10th grade year at RHHS (2018-2019).

At no time during the summer did Katie withdraw from Rock Hill High School. On August 19th, the first day of the semester for Rock Hill Schools, she showed up at school to see about the make-up school opportunity that was available for all students the first couple of weeks of school (2019-2020). Katie was informed that, in order to qualify to do the make-up time, she must still be enrolled in classes and attending Rock Hill High School. Katie made the choice that she wanted to clear the FA so she went to class. During second block she went and visited our AD about the situation. He then informed Katie and the mother that by being enrolled in RHHS, that she would not be eligible at Legion. Coach Warren then called Legion officials and the SCHSL Office. After this phone call, Coach Warren instructed Katie that she

could not attend at RHHS and then go to Legion after clearing her FA. Later during that time period, the Legion golf coach contacted Katie and told her she needed to leave Rock Hill High. While that information is correct for eligibility, my concern is that Katie was still enrolled in RHHS, and she was not enrolled in Legion. Now, we have a coach from a fellow member school contacting a student-athlete from another school. This is an unscrupulous violation of SCHSL rules.


Katie elected to stay at Rock Hill HS for one full week, so she could complete her make-up hours to recover her last FA. This decision created the issue of her being enrolled at RHHS for a week and then transferring to Legion when they start school after Labor Day. This per the SCHSL Constitution makes her ineligible. I understand the rationale for this in the constitution. I also understand Katie's decision to get the FA cleared off her transcript due to her goal of playing golf in college.

All of these issues could have been resolved if she had not missed enough school to earn FAs, but she did not and she understands that. This would have not been an issue if she had cleared the FAs last spring or in the summer, but she did not. She would not be in this situation if she had just withdrawn from RHHS in the summer and enrolled in Legion with the FA on her transcript, but she did not. She made a decision to come clear the FA as an academic decision, so now here we sit.

Parents and student athletes must make decisions about the best situation for their plans and goals. I wholeheartedly respect the decision that Katie and her parents made for what they believe to be in the best interest of her playing college golf. The academic model of abbreviated days would afford a student-athlete the opportunity to work on athletic skills for a larger portion of the day. At the end of the day, I hope this works out for Katie and she is able to achieve her goals. She is a very kind and respectful young lady, and it is for this reason, I support her eligibility. I think she made a sound academic decision by getting her FAs cleared in the manner she did. However, had she been knowledgeable of the SCHSL Constitution and rules of transfer beforehand, she could have resolved her FA issues more judiciously.

The major concern that I must raise, and I have a major issue with goes back to the Legion golf coach contacting a student who was still enrolled in Rock Hill High School. This is a violation of the rules. Coaches should be allowed to contact student-athletes who are not enrolled in their school. I also hope that in the future students are better informed of SCHSL rules by the receiving school, so situations such as this do not occur in the future.

Respectfully submitted,



Arthur W Ahl II

Principal

Rock Hill HS



Legion Collegiate Academy
505 University Drive
Rock Hill, SC 29730

October 11, 2019

VIA E-MAIL

Mr. Jerome Singleton, Commissioner
South Carolina High School League
121 Westpark Blvd.
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Dear Mr. Singleton:

As you know, I am the principal of Legion Collegiate Academy ("LCA") in Rock Hill, South Carolina. The purpose of this letter is to acknowledge receipt of the communication from the South Carolina High School League ("SCHSL") declaring Katie Warner ineligible. I respectfully request reconsideration from the SCHSL staff of its initial decision on Katie's eligibility.

By way of background, LCA is a public charter school that opened on September 3, 2019, for its inaugural year. LCA joined the SCHSL in May 2019 after the SCHSL's Appellate Panel overturned the SCHSL Executive Committee's decision to deny LCA's membership in the SCHSL.

In February 2019, LCA received paperwork from Holly Warner to enroll her daughter, Katie Warner, in LCA for the 2019-2020 school year as an eleventh-grade student. Katie formerly attended Rock Hill High School ("RHHS") and is a competitive golfer who desires to earn a scholarship to college to play golf. Katie informed staff at RHHS in the spring of 2019 that she would be attending LCA. LCA sent a written Request for Records to RHHS on August 1, 2019, stating that Katie had enrolled at LCA for the eleventh grade and requesting RHHS to send Katie's transcript and academic records to LCA. When RHHS received the request for records from LCA, RHHS asked LCA to correct a typo in the request, which LCA gladly corrected and re-sent to RHHS.

Written statements from the Warners are attached to this letter. Based on my conversations with the Warners, my understanding of the situation is as follows. Katie was asked by a friend's parent to drop off her friend at RHHS on the first day of school, August 19, 2019, so

that her friend's parent could simultaneously drop off her friend's younger siblings at the school they attended. Katie agreed to drop off her friend at RHHS on August 19 because Katie's classes did not start at LCA until September 3. Katie was wearing pajamas and was not carrying a book bag or supplies when she dropped off her friend at RHHS. After dropping off her friend at school, Katie walked into RHHS to quickly inquire about making up seat time so that she could receive credit for a Spanish course she took in the spring 2019 semester. The Spanish class credit was not necessary for Katie to be academically eligible to participate in SCHSL activities. When Katie asked about making up seat time, an RHHS administrator instructed Katie to go straight to class at RHHS in her pajamas so that Katie would have the opportunity to receive make-up seat time. The RHHS administrator did not contact Katie's parents to discuss this significant educational decision, even though Katie is a minor. Additionally, the RHHS staff member did not otherwise explain to Katie how attending class could affect her athletic eligibility at LCA or her ability to earn a college scholarship to play golf. Katie obeyed the adult's instructions and attended a first-block class, even though she was not dressed according to RHHS's dress code and did not have a bookbag or any school supplies with her.

After the first-block class, Katie went to the RHHS Athletic Director's office, called her mother, and put her mother on speakerphone. The RHHS Athletic Director falsely informed Katie and Ms. Warner that by attending even one class at RHHS, Katie was immediately ineligible to play golf at LCA without a letter of support from RHHS. The RHHS Athletic Director also called the SCHSL office to report Katie's alleged ineligibility. Having no reason to doubt the RHHS Athletic Director, whose job involves working with student-athletes and the SCHSL eligibility rules, Ms. Warner and Katie decided that Katie would remain at RHHS for the rest of week so that she could make-up her seat time and receive credit for her Spring 2019 Spanish class and thereafter seek a letter of support from RHHS for her eligibility at LCA.

As the SCHSL staff knows, under Article III (Student Eligibility), Section 6 (School Enrollment and Attendance) of the SCHSL Bylaws, a student must completely register at a school and either physically attend classes for one day or compete in a contest before the semester begins to be considered "enrolled" for athletic eligibility. Given this definition, Katie was not "enrolled" at RHHS for athletic eligibility purposes when the RHHS Athletic Director told Katie and her mother that she was ineligible and reported her to the SCHSL because (1) Katie had submitted enrollment documentation at LCA for the 2019-2020 school year, RHHS had received a Request for Records from LCA confirming Katie's enrollment at LCA for the 2019-2020 school year, and the only reason Katie sat in a first block class at RHHS was because an RHHS administrator instructed Katie, a minor, to go to class without consulting her parents, and (2) Katie had not physically attended classes at RHHS for one day or competed in a golf contest for RHHS in the fall of 2019. Indeed, at the time the RHHS Athletic Director conveyed such false information to Katie and her mother, Katie was still eligible to play golf at LCA. Only by relying on the RHHS Athletic Director's false and misleading information did Katie arguably become ineligible to participate in golf at LCA as a transfer student.

Both Katie and her mother have stated that if RHHS officials would have provided them with accurate information, they could have made an informed decision about Katie's education and athletic eligibility, and Katie would not have attended any classes at RHHS, would

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have foregone credit for her Spanish class, and would have remained fully eligible at LCA. Katie and her mother had no reason to believe that RHHS officials would mislead them and provide them with false information given their responsibilities to the students and families that they serve.

We received a copy of the "letter of support" from the RHHS Principal concerning Katie's eligibility at LCA. While the letter appears to acknowledge some of events that transpired at RHHS on August 19, it does not fully or accurately describe the misleading information that RHHS officials provided to Katie and her mother, and on which Katie and her mother based their decision-making. We disagree with the RHHS Principal's statement that Katie is ineligible under the SCHSL Constitution, which does not address student-athlete eligibility. On the other hand, we agree with the RHHS Principal's statement that "had she been knowledgeable of the SCHSL Constitution and the rules of transfer beforehand, she could have resolved her FA issues more judiciously." Unfortunately, Katie and her mother were provided with incomplete, false, and misleading information by RHHS officials.

When Katie began classes at LCA on September 3, 2019, we believed her to be an eligible player based on her status as an upperclassmen enrollee at LCA during its inaugural year. Because of this, we did not believe it was necessary for any transfer student paperwork to be completed prior to her participation in golf.

We believe Katie should be eligible to play golf at LCA for the remainder of the 2019-2020 school year. For the reasons stated above, we respectfully request that the SCHSL staff reconsider Katie's eligibility and the related punishments initially imposed on LCA. It would be unjust to deny a talented, sixteen-year-old female golfer the opportunity to hone her skills and compete for athletic scholarships because of the misrepresentations of adults in positions of authority.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dr. T. Kennedy", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Dr. TK Kennedy
Principal

2937 Forest Hills Circle
Rock Hill, SC 29732

October 9, 2019

Jerome Singleton, Commissioner
S.C. High School League
121 Westpark Blvd.
Columbia, SC 29210

Dear Mr. Singleton:

I wanted to ask you to please reconsider my eligibility to play golf at Legion Collegiate Academy for the 2019-2020 season and give you some more details about what happened. When I first heard that Legion would be opening, I was excited about the chance to work with one of the best golf coaches in Rock Hill every day. My mom and I attended a Legion information session, and she filled out paperwork in February so that I could go to Legion starting in the fall. I was so excited about attending Legion and told my teachers and coach at Rock Hill High School that I would be going to Legion in the fall.

My friend's parents asked me to drive my friend to school at Rock Hill on the first day of school, which was August 19, 2019. I didn't start classes at Legion until September 3, so I agreed. I was wearing pajamas, which was against dress code for Rock Hill, and I did not bring a book bag or any other school supplies.

While I was there, I wanted to find out how I could make up seat time that I needed to finish and pass a Spanish class I took at Rock Hill in the spring. I thought I would ask and get the information and then I would go home. When I asked, I was told by an administrative assistant that I needed to go straight to class at Rock Hill immediately to have the opportunity to make up seat time. The administrative assistant did not explain how trying to make up seat time for a Spanish class could affect my ability to play golf at Legion this year. I followed the administrative assistant's instructions and went to a first block class in my pajamas.

After sitting through one class, I went to the Rock Hill athletic director's office. The athletic director, Coach Warren, told me that because I had attended a class at Rock Hill this year, I would not be able to play golf at Legion without a letter of support from Rock Hill. I had only attended one class at this point because that's what I was told to do by the administrative assistant. Coach Warren told me it didn't matter if I was in class at Rock Hill for five minutes or five days because I would no longer be eligible at Legion. He called your office, and I called my mom. Since Coach Warren told me I was already ineligible to play golf at Legion, my mom and I figured I should at least get my make up time done for my spring class. I stayed at Rock Hill for the week and completed my make up time to get credit for my class. My Mom and I later met with the Rock Hill High School Principal and he agreed to write a letter of support for my eligibility at Legion. Then I started class at Legion on September 3 like I was supposed to. A few days ago I learned that the SC High School League said I was not eligible.

I had no plans to go to school at Rock Hill this year or even to stay at Rock Hill for the day when I dropped off my friend at school. I simply followed the instructions of the administrative assistant and relied on the statements of the Rock Hill High School Athletic Director about my athletic eligibility. If someone at Rock Hill had laid the options for me, I would have left Rock Hill right away on August 19 to remain eligible at Legion.

All I want to do is play golf. I have been playing golf since I was little, and I am hoping to get a scholarship so that I can play golf in college. I want to go to Legion because I think it will be so helpful to have time with an accomplished golf coach every day so that I can improve. I only get to meet with my private swing coach every couple of weeks because it is expensive for my family. I know that this is a really important year for getting looked at for scholarships and hope that I can get the chance to play.

Thank you for taking the time to hear more about my situation and reconsider me being able to play golf this year at Legion.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Katie E. Warner". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Katie Warner

2937 Forest Hills Circle
Rock Hill, SC 29732

October 9, 2019

Jerome Singleton, Commissioner
S.C. High School League
121 Westpark Blvd.
Columbia, SC 29210

Dear Mr. Singleton:

I am writing again on behalf of my daughter, Katie Warner, to ask you to please reconsider her eligibility to play golf at Legion Collegiate Academy for the 2019-2020 season.

When Katie first learned that Legion Collegiate Academy would be opening in the fall of 2019, she was very excited to learn more about the school and its golf program, specifically. We attended an information session, and together, we decided it would greatly benefit her to enroll at Legion beginning in Fall 2019. I completed paperwork in February to enroll Katie at Legion as an eleventh-grade student this fall. Katie attended Legion's first day of classes on September 3, 2019.

Katie took a Spanish class during the spring 2019 semester at Rock Hill High but did not receive credit in the course due to attendance. She made up some of the seat time in the early summer but did not finish all the hours she needed to receive credit. When Katie called the school in the early summer to ask about the remaining hours of seat time she needed, she was told she could wait until school started back in the fall.

About a week before school started at Rock Hill High, I called the school to ask about Katie making up her seat time. Ms. Stillwell told me that make up classes began on Tuesday, August 20, 2019, and that I should wait to transfer Katie's grades to Legion until the end of the week. Since I had already completed paperwork to enroll Katie at Legion in February, Legion had already contacted Rock Hill High to get Katie's records. Katie drove a friend to school on Rock Hill's first day of classes, and I asked Katie to speak with Ms. Stillwell about when make-up time would be held on Tuesday. Katie was dressed in her pajamas and did not intend on being at the school long. Later, Katie called me and told me that she had to stay at school because Ms. Stillwell told her she had to attend class to attend the make-up session on Tuesday. None of the officials at Rock Hill contacted me to explain what Katie needed to do to make up her seat time or to ask my consent for her to remain at school.

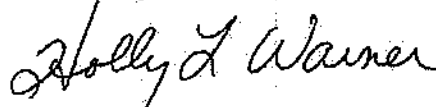
After Katie went to first block, a coach saw her and told her to go to the athletic department to speak to Coach Warren, the Athletics Director. Coach Warren stated that since Katie had attended one class at Rock Hill High, she would not be eligible to play golf at Legion this year without a letter of support from Rock Hill. I believe he also called your office to tell the League about the situation. I spoke with Katie on the phone. Since we thought Katie was already ineligible after attending that first block class based on what Coach Warren said, she stayed for

the rest of the day so that she could attend make-up time the next day for her Spanish class. We had no idea at that time that Katie would still be eligible to play golf at Legion if she had left Rock Hill after that one class and that by staying the entire day, she became a transfer student. No one at Rock Hill accurately explained to us how the athletic eligibility rules work even though they instructed Katie to be enrolled at their school.

Katie is a talented young golfer but she needs more coaching than we can afford to give her to improve her skills. Legion is such a great option for her because she will be able to get many hours of coaching each day and lots of the practice she needs to improve. She has worked for a long time on her game and hopes to get a scholarship to play golf in college. We are very worried that by Katie being unable to play this year, she will miss the chance to earn a golf scholarship. Without a scholarship, her father and I probably won't be able to send Katie to college. My income varies since I am self employed, and Katie's father is on disability and not working right now. As it is, we could not afford to send our oldest son to college due to our financial struggles.

Katie is a good student and wants to be part of a team. We had no idea the harm that would come from Katie simply asking about how to make up seat time for a class. I hope you will reconsider Katie's situation and allow her the chance to play golf at Legion this year. Thank you again for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,


Holly L. Warner



Withdrawal Form
Rock Hill High School
320 West Springdale Rd
Rock Hill, SC 29730



Phone: (803) 981-1312 Fax: (803) 981-1496
Email: rbarber@rhmail.org

Student Name: Katie Warner DOB: 9/18/2002 Grade: 11

Student ID# 940010017866 SUNS#: 2157743723 9GR: 18

Withdrawal Code: 34 Transferring to: Legion Academy, SC

Special Services Currently Received: NO

Special Education Records request to:
Rock Hill District Three
Exceptional Student Education Department
Post Office Box Drawer 10072
Rock Hill, South Carolina 29731
Phone: 803-985-3540 Fax: 803-981-1877

Fee's paid: ☒ YES ☐ NO

0.00 Amount

Computer returned: ☒ YES ☐ NO

Charger returned: ☒ YES ☐ NO

Books returned: ☒ YES ☐ NO

NA Student ID: ☐ YES ☐ NO

ESOL Student: ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, English Prof: N/A

Items sent with parent:

☒ Unofficial Transcript

☒ Class Schedule

☐ Withdrawal Grades

****When you withdraw from RHHS and enroll in another school in the Rock Hill School District, your student will not be eligible to participate in athletics for 365 days.****

Parent Signature Katie Warner

Date: 8/26/19

School/Official Signature Reico K Barber

Date: 8/26/2019

Reico K Barber - Registrar

8/26/2019

Grading Scale:

A-(100-90) B-(89-80) C-(79-70) D-(69-60) F-(59 and below)

Beds Code: 4603017

School: Rock Hill High School Term: 19-20 Year



Schedule List View

Warner, Katie Elizabeth 11 840010017866 RHHS

Exp	Trm	Crs-Sec	Course Name	Teacher	Room	Enroll	Leave
1(A-B)	S1	411500CW-1	Algebra 2	Hope, Kimberley	D204	08/19/2019	01/08/2020
1(A-B)	S2	323100CW-8	Chemistry 1	Garrude, Sarah N	B132	01/08/2020	06/05/2020
2(A-B)	S1	344211CW-1	PERS FITNESS	Elder, Cindy	F GYM	08/19/2019	01/08/2020
2(A-B)	S2	302600CW-14	English III	Mood, Kevin A	A229	01/08/2020	06/05/2020
3(A-B)	S1	352100CW-1	Drawing and Painting 1	Bell, Matthew	E107	08/19/2019	01/08/2020
3(A-B)	S2	553100HW-2	EMER MED SVC	Smith-ATC, Brian P.	A101	01/08/2020	06/05/2020
4(A-B)	S1	339915CW-3	Survey of Amer Hist	Leonhardt, Craig R.	A202	08/19/2019	01/08/2020
4(A-B)	S2	332000CW-3	U.S. History and the Constitution	Leonhardt, Craig R.	A202	01/08/2020	06/05/2020
5(A-B)	19-20	08951100-19	ADVISOR 11	Garrude, Sarah N	B132	08/19/2019	06/05/2020

19-20 Year

Entire Year Schedule

From: Skip Lax [<mailto:skip@schsl.org>]
Sent: Tuesday, October 15, 2019 10:03 AM
To: Ozzie Ahl
Subject: Transfer- Legion

Ozzie, Please respond to the following questions and include any other info relevant to this situation.
Thanks, Skip

1. What is the process for a student to make up an FA and what is the timeline.
2. When did this student officially withdraw from your school.
3. When the student arrived at the school on August 19, did she have a schedule and was she still on your rolls.
4. What conversations did your A.D. have with the student and/or parent concerning her eligibility.
5. What conversations if any were held with Legion regarding the student's eligibility, and if so, with whom and when.

cindi@schsl.org

Subject: FW: Transfer- Legion
Attachments: MakeUp School Opportunities at RHHS K. Warner.pdf; Withdrawl Form and Schedule K. Warner.pdf; B. Warren's notes on K. Warner.pdf; Warner - Legion Hardship Letter.pdf; MakeUp School in RHHS Handbook.pdf

From: "oahl" <OAh1@rhmail.org>
To: "skip" <skip@schsl.org>
Sent: Tuesday, October 15, 2019 8:33:58 AM
Subject: RE: Transfer- Legion

Mr. Lax,

- 1) All of our students have the opportunity to attend tutoring sessions or make-up school sessions to make up any missed seat time during the semester. I have attached a list of all such opportunities to this e-mail. There are opportunities before school, after school, and on Saturdays. There were even 4 days in the summer after school was dismissed for summer. Finally, there were opportunities this August and September to clear any missing hours for the Spring 2019 semester. The student in question had cleared all but one of her FA's by the end of the summer make-up opportunities. However, she was still short hours to clear the last one. She had to be a student at RHHS in order to make up the hours offered in August and September. Handbook Guidelines attached.
- 2) The student officially withdrew from Rock Hill High School on August 29th. Attached is the signed and dated withdraw form.
- 3) The student did have a schedule in Power School on August 19th when she arrived on campus because she had not been officially withdrawn from Rock Hill HS. I have attached the schedule.
- 4) Please see the attached statement from AD Bill Warren in regards to his conversation with Katie and her mother. I also met with Katie and her mother on 8/26. The purpose of this meeting was for me to get a better understanding of the situation as I was being asked to write a letter of support for a hardship appeal.
- 5) The same attached statement outlines conversations with the Legion staff. I also had one phone conversation with Mr. Herron on 10/2. He was requesting support for an Intra District Transfer. I explained that our school/district would not support an Intra District Transfer as our two schools were not governed by the same body. I continued to explain that I had written a letter of support for the student's hardship appeal and said letter should have been submitted to the SCHSL Office. I have attached the support letter.

Please let me know if you need any further explanation or documentation.

Arthur W Ahl II
Arthur W Ahl II "Ozzie"
Principal
Rock Hill High School



Make-Up School & Tutoring Schedule 2018-2019

Semester2

FREE MAKE-UP SCHOOL TUTORING

Beginning February 4– May 17, 2019

Monday – Friday 7:20 am – 8:20 am

Monday, Wednesday, & Thursday 3:45 pm – 4:45 pm

MAKE-UP SCHOOL FOR 1st SEMESTER 2018 FAs

\$20 per session is due upon entry

January 15, 16, 17, 22, 23, 24 4:00 pm – 7:00 pm

January 12, 26 8:00 am – 3:00 pm

2nd SEMESTER 2018-2019 MAKE-UP SCHOOL

\$20 per session is due upon entry

April 2, 3, 4, 9, 10, 11, 23, 24, 25, 30 4:00 pm – 7:00 pm

May 1, 2, 7, 8, 9, 14, 15, 16 4:00 pm – 7:00 pm

April 6, 27 8:00 am – 3:00 pm

May 4, 18 8:00 am – 3:00 pm

2019 "SENIORS ONLY" MAKE-UP SCHOOL

\$20 per session is due upon entry

May 28, 29, 30, 31 8:00 am – 3:00 pm

SUMMER MAKE-UP SCHOOL

\$20 per session is due upon entry

June 10, 11, 12, 13 8:00 am – 5:00 pm

CREDIT RECOVERY

June 17, 18, 19, 20 *(see your counselor for details)*

Make-up School for 2nd Semester (Spring) 2019 FAs

(\$20 cash per session is due upon entry)

The **last day available** to complete makeup hours for
2018-2019 2nd Semester is September 21, 2019

Tuesday, August 20	4:00 pm -7:00 pm
Wednesday, August 21	4:00 pm -7:00 pm
Thursday, August 22	4:00 pm -7:00 pm
Tuesday, August 27	4:00 pm -7:00 pm
Wednesday, August 28	4:00 pm -7:00 pm
Thursday, August 29	4:00 pm -7:00 pm
Wednesday, September 4	4:00 pm -7:00 pm
Thursday, September 5	4:00 pm -7:00 pm
Saturday, September 7	8:00 am – 3:00 pm
Saturday, September 14	8:00 am – 3:00 pm
Saturday, September 21	8:00 am – 3:00 pm

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BEARCATS

Make-Up School and Attendance Guidelines

- In order to receive credit for a one-unit class, a student must attend at least 84 out of 90 school days. Students will not receive credit in classes with more than 6 absences, regardless of the reason for the absence. A student must make up any absence over the 6 during the semester in which the absences occur. Make-up sessions are available at various scheduled times during the semester. Attendance interventions are also available during the semester. Students will not receive credit for a course if the time is not made up in make-up school or tutoring. Absences due to "skipping" or "cutting" class cannot be made up.
- Students are to bring official documentation for any absence from school, ie.; a written excuse (signed by a parent/guardian) OR a medical excuse within three days after returning to school. This documentation will be filed in the attendance office. **Documentation does not erase absences, it only states why the student missed school.**
- If extended illnesses or medical conditions exist which may cause a student to miss over 10 days, the student's parent should contact the guidance counselor to apply for homebound services. Automated phone calls will notify parents of each absence, and letters are mailed home when a student has missed three or more days. Students are responsible for maintaining accurate absence records.

Make-Up School Sessions (\$20 per session)

- ⇒ Students should attend the first make-up session to ensure they know the exact time owed.
- ⇒ Students must bring enough work to last the entire session and are not allowed to talk, sleep, or eat and drink during the session.
- ⇒ Students must be on time and in dress code.
- ⇒ Students who are asked to leave for violations will not receive a refund.
- ⇒ Cost to attend make-up school sessions is \$20 per session. **NO CHECKS WILL BE ACCEPTED.** Cash, cashier checks, or money orders only. This must be paid at the door.

School-Sponsored Tutoring (Free)

- ⇒ M, W, Th, F, 7:20 a.m. -8:20 a.m. or M, W, 3:45 p.m. -4:45 p.m.
- ⇒ Students must sign the notebook at each tutoring session. Students *who* do not sign in will not receive credit for the time.
- ⇒ Students must bring work for the entire session and may not sleep, eat, or talk.

Contacts with Legion:

Two Phone Calls to Legion on Aug. 19th - Bobby Page (Guidance Counselor at Legion) – first one to inform him that Katie Warner was on campus attending class (10:50 am) and that she could not be here if she was going to be eligible – he was going to get in touch with their coach. Second was after I talked to Charlie and her mom about her being ineligible because she attended first block – Bobby Page then handed the phone to Strait Herron who I told what Charlie said. I told Strait on that call that he could do a hardship and Rock Hill would support it. Next conversation with Strait was an email on Aug. 28 asking for letter.

Meeting with Katie Warner

Katie came into my office at approximately 10:30 on August 19th. I asked her why she was at Rock Hill HS since she would be attending Legion (it was a known fact that she was going – she had said that in spring). I explained the rule that if you attend RHHS a day, that she would be ineligible at Legion – you are only eligible at a new opening school if you attend day one there. She told me that Legion did not start class until the next week. I told her not to attend any more classes. At this time she got a text from her Legion coach telling her to get out of RHHS. I told her I would call the HSL to clarify what the definition of a day was. She was visibly upset and called her mom and I explained the rule to Mom. I called Charlie while Mom was on conference call – he was not available but would call me back. I explained to Mom while waiting on Charlie to call back that she had to be enrolled to get the FA lifted and she should have done it in the spring or summer. Mom said that Katie should have come to me first and I told her that I would have given her two choices – one would be attend RHHS and get FA lifted and then go to Legion with the credit and be ineligible or attend Legion and be eligible and have an F in Spanish. That would have been what I would have said if she would have come to me first. Charlie called back 10 minutes later but Mom was no longer on the phone. It was speaker phone so Charlie explained the rule and she would be ineligible due to attend one class at RHHS. He did say she could do a hardship. We called Mom back and told her what Charlie said and Mom was adamant that she was going to get her credit and was mad at the entire rule. I reiterated that Rock Hill HS would support if Legion would do a hardship. Katie left my office that morning and stayed enrolled to complete makeup school. I immediately called Bobby Page again to tell him what Charlie said – Strait Herron was in his office and I talked to him about the situation and told him everything that occurred. I also told him we would support a hardship if he wanted to do one. He gave me his email over the phone and I said I would get Ozzie to right a letter. I received an email Aug. 28th asking for the hardship letter and stating that he can't believe he is having to start the year with a hardship. I told him I would see that Ozzie was hesitant because their coach had called up our golfer in the spring to recruit her to Legion. He replied he would talk to his coach but did not think she recruited. He said he hoped we could work it out for

Katie's sake — I agreed and got Ozzie to write a letter — sent the letter to Strat Herron and Legion on Sept. 3rd.

William Warren

From: Strait Herron <sherron@legionlancers.org>
Sent: Wednesday, August 28, 2019 9:41 AM
To: William Warren
Subject: K. Werner

Bill,

I am putting the hardship forms together for Katie. Would you compose a letter on her behalf as we discussed?

I can't believe we are just getting started and I am already having to fill out a hardship.

Thanks!

Strait Herron
Legion Collegiate Academy
Rock Hill, SC



William Warren

From: Strait Herron <sherron@legionlancers.org>
Sent: Wednesday, August 28, 2019 11:12 AM
To: William Warren
Subject: RE: [External] RE: K. Werner

Thanks!

I have a call into Kim. I don't think that is her style. She was bombarded by golfers when we announced she was our coach. I don't think she would need to recruit. Once I talk to her I will give Katie and her mom a call and see if the stories are the same.

TK wants to know if you can tell him what day Katie withdrew from RHHS. He needs that info for his letter.

Thanks again. Hope we can work this out without getting the HSI too involved and I definitely don't want the kid to suffer for a silly mistake.

Strait Herron
Legion Collegiate Academy
Rock Hill, SC



From: William Warren
Sent: Wednesday, August 28, 2019 9:48 AM
To: Strait Herron
Subject: [External] RE: K. Werner

OK will talk with Ozzie and see if he will support -- after I explained the situation to him, he was hesitant because he is mad at Kim Case for recruiting our kid in the spring (calling her)

From: Strait Herron [<mailto:sherron@legionlancers.org>]
Sent: Wednesday, August 28, 2019 9:41 AM
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Strait Herron
Legion Collegiate Academy

William Warren

From: Strait Herron <sherron@legionlancers.org>
Sent: Tuesday, September 03, 2019 5:11 PM
To: William Warren
Subject: RE: [External] FW: Hardship Letter

Thanks

Strait Herron
Legion Collegiate Academy
Rock Hill, SC



From: William Warren
Sent: Tuesday, September 3, 2019 10:01 AM
To: Strait Herron (sherron@legionlancers.org)
Subject: [External] FW: Hardship Letter

Strait,
Here is Ozzie's hardship letter you requested.
Thanks
Bill

From: Ozzie Ahl
Sent: Tuesday, September 03, 2019 9:54 AM
To: William Warren
Subject: Hardship Letter

Bill,
Attached is the hardship letter that Legion requested for Katie Warner. Please forward it to Strait.

Arthur W Ahl II
Arthur W Ahl II "Ozzie"
Principal
Rock Hill High School

