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Dr. Forrest C. Allen
University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Dr. Allen:

I am writing you about a boy who is enrolled here at the University.

He came in yesterday and told us that he had enrolled at _____ last year and has played in several freshman games. That, of course, makes him ineligible to play in our conference. We have a ruling here in our conference that if a boy has matriculated in any other institution and has participated in one game he is ineligible to participate in a _____ Conference school.

I have followed this boy with a great deal of interest and picked him up in an NYA camp in Tennessee. He is six feet, five inches tall and weighs 188 pounds stripped. He comes from a family that is very poor and he has no means of attending school whatever. Since we have scholarships here in basketball we thought enough of his ability to offer him a freshman scholarship. He has unusual ability and I felt he would make us an outstanding center. He has played a lot of ball and he is a boy of unusually fine habits. He passed our entrance examinations here in good shape and I do not believe that he would ever give you any trouble in regard to his studies.

Is there any way that you could use him at all? I am interested in sending him to you as he requested me to write this letter and I also feel that I would like to send you someone sometime that might do you some good. Naturally, if this boy were eligible to play here I would have kept him. I would appreciate hearing from you as he would be interested in enrolling there the second semester. I understand your register is closed for the first semester.

Sincerely yours,

Basketball Coach.