

July 8, 1939.

Mr. Jack Nash,
Lakin, Kansas.

Dear Jack:

I am sorry that I have not answered your kind letter of the 19th ultimo sooner. I am teaching two classes every day in the Summer Session, in addition to being in charge of the recreational program, and these duties have caused me to delay answering some of my correspondence.

I am very glad to know of your interest in the University of Kansas, but, as you know, we do not have any special scholarships for athletes here at the University. We do not place especial emphasis on athletics, but rather we encourage boys who are desirous of primarily getting an education. If you have saved enough money to pay for your books, tuition and incidental expenses, then I am sure you will have no difficulty in making the grade here at K. U. I tell the boys that the first thing they must get is their academic work. That is the thing you go to school for, and you will find that your degree from the University of Kansas will amount to just as much as you put into it.

A boy's academic record is the thing we look at first, and if he is a good student that proves he is a good academic risk. Otherwise, we feel that the boy should not participate in intercollegiate athletics because that takes more time away from his studies. But if he is a good student, then his athletics serve as a stimulus to him because his desire to play necessarily fits in with his whole program. A boy has ample time to play because he is a good student.

I am glad to know that you are particularly interested in Physical Education, and am enclosing a bulletin which will give you an idea of our program. We shall be glad to do anything we can to help you help yourself, and if you have any further questions it will be a pleasure to hear from you again.

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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