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Dear Dr. Allen:

I am more than glad to have the opportunity to furnish you additional information concerning Owen Peck, as you requested in your letter of April 8th.

Owen lives at 941 Sandusky, and his phone number is Dr. 5906. Owen was nineteen last month. He is 5'9", weighs 160 lbs. He will have thirty hours credit at the end of this term at the Kansas City, Kansas Junior College. His first semester grades were: 7 hrs. A, 6 hrs. B+, 3 hrs. B. When the draft took the coach at North West Junior High School last fall, Owen was sent out to teach classes in Mechanical Drawing and coach their basketball team. His team won the league championship. He is now working with the track team.

Owen has a brother that is a freshman here at Wyandotte. He has two brothers in the service. One brother graduated from Junior College with practically all A's. He was drafted into the army. Then selected to be trained to become a meteorologist. He completed that training and is now a Lieutenant.

Owen had a sister graduate from Wyandotte with high scholastic honors. She attended Baker University on a scholarship, later received a scholarship to Washington University, St. Louis. She now has an exceptionally fine job with Braniff Air Lines. Owen's father attended Kansas University about 1910 I believe.

I had the pleasure of working with Owen his three years here at Wyandotte. He did not play much basketball in Junior High School. He was a reserve on the "B" team his sophomore year. He was a regular forward on the "B" squad his junior year. He lead our team in scoring his senior year. He hit 34% of his shots for the season, which consisted of twenty five games. He was very conservative with his shooting. He is exceptionally fast and clever, a fine ball handler, a good team man, and outstanding defensively. He never missed a practice his senior year. At the close of the season Owen was elected honorary captain for the year by the boys. When it comes to ease in handling, I would place, Owen Peck, at the top of the list of boys that I have had the opportunity to work with in the past fourteen years. In our three years together I cannot think of one thing, no matter how small, concerning Owen's conduct to which I had the slightest objection. No coach ever worked with a boy that had a better attitude. He was perfect.