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RE: Qualifying Competitive Skater:

Dear School Administrator,

Heritage Figure Skating Club is a member of U.S. Figure Skating Association. U.S. Figure Skating Association is a national governing body for figure skating, and organizes the competitive structure and regional, sectional and national qualifying competitions. A skater is required to pass a series of on ice tests in front of a qualified panel of judges. Advancement to the next level is determined by participating in these judged test sessions. Due to high ice demand these test sessions take place during the weekdays at random locations throughout the country including the local metro area. A student may also miss school to participate in a competition which usually runs late in a given week through the weekend and are located all over the country. Figure skaters train year round and participation at this level requires many hours of practice and professional instruction. Each participant is a dedicated, disciplined and committed athlete. Most skaters are also involved in off-ice training programs that may include dance, strength training and nutrition.

The purpose of this letter is to encourage the development of a good working relationship between your school and the competitor's family. This combined support is essential for the academic and athletic success of the student. Your school can help develop the young athletes of our country by encouraging the classroom teacher(s) to work with the skaters and their families. We hope to have workable arrangements so the athlete can meet the school district academic requirements as well as pursue his/her competitive goals.

It is the responsibility of the skater's parent/guardian to inform the schools administration if they will be absent and it is expected that the parent/guardian will work in cooperation with the school to monitor the student to make up any missed work. Many skaters tend to be among the most well rounded academicians too, as they routinely juggle their time to make the most of the training and free time that they have.

Please feel free to contact me if you require more information on US Figure Skating. Your consideration is greatly appreciated!

Sincerely,

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