



## CINCINNATI MARLINS, INC.

616 W. North Bend Road

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Telephone: (513) 761-3320

To School Administrator

Re: \_\_\_\_\_

Dear Sir or Madam:

The student identified is an athlete member of the Cincinnati Marlins and of Ohio Swimming, Inc. This athlete has qualified to swim at the Speedo Sectional Championships in Indianapolis, Indiana on March 25-28, 2010. Because the Thursday and Friday sessions occur during school hours, this swimmer will be absent from school for all or part of the day.

This meet is comprised of the best swimmers from all over the Central region of the United States. We are extremely proud of this athlete's achievements and hope your school will be able to recognize this outstanding accomplishment and excuse the absence.

The athletes of Ohio Swimming and the Marlins have made a commitment to their sport and part of that commitment includes the time management necessary when balancing school work, studying, practice time, and competition. We believe our athletes have shown that this is a very educational exercise. As you are probably aware, student athletes are among the most successful academically of all students.

We dislike interfering with school hours; however, this is an opportunity to compete against the best athletes in the Central U.S. and is an excellent learning experience.

Sincerely,

Chris Wolford  
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