

Dear Mr. Thompson:

My name is Lakota Stark. I am in my junior year at Camdenon High School, and I am writing this letter in the hopes of expressing my wishes to graduate at the end of this year. I understand that the window for applying for an early graduation has closed. In that time frame I was enrolled at Marion County RII School; however, I am hoping that under the circumstances of my not being present at Camdenon High School during that window there could be an exception made.

Traditional graduation does have its benefits; however, I believe that in my case I would benefit most from an early graduation. Some may say the senior year is the best year and that students who graduate early miss out on prom and dances, but I have never been interested in those things. More often than not they cause me stress and anxiety.

If I enroll in 1.5 credits of online classes this semester, I will be able to reach the required graduation credit requirements of 25. I have built in time in my schedule this semester to complete these online classes during my study hall as well as at home. If early graduation for the 2015-2016 school year is not permitted, my senior year would consist of coming to school for half the day and graduating at semester because I only need 1.5 more credits to complete the graduations requirement. I feel that that time could be better spent going to college and working on job experience as well as getting a head start on enlistment into the military.

Another reason I would like to graduate early is that I am one of the younger students in my grade due to my birthday. Since my freshman year I have always had the goal of graduating early in mind, so I always made sure I took as many summer school classes as I could to ensure that I would have enough credits to do so. By graduating early, I wish to get a head start on paramedic classes and General Education Credits for college before I turn eighteen and enlist in the military.

My plan for early graduation would be to immediately enroll in EMT classes and one semester of general education courses for college. Throughout the summer and during my first semester of college, I would be working towards my enlistment in the military to pursue my dream jobs of becoming a pararescue, combat medic, or flight nurse.

Given the above information, I would greatly appreciate your consideration for early graduation, even though I have missed the due date.

Thank you for the time and consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lakota Stark". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a large initial "L".

Lakota Stark