Scouting's National Honor Society Coosa Lodge Greater Alabama Council, B.S.A.

October 26, 2008

Reference: Scout_____

Dear Principal:

The above Scout has been chosen to be a Service Corps member representing Coosa Lodge 50 of the Order of the Arrow (OA), Greater Alabama Council, at the tri-annual 2008 Alabama Scouting Encampment. This encampment is being held November 7 - 9, 2008 at the Talladega Super Speedway. Thousands of Venture, Boy and Cub Scouts from throughout the South Eastern states as will be in attendance at this fun filled and jam packed Scouting experience. When family and daily visitors are added, attendance of approximately twelve thousand is anticipated. The lodge OA Service Corps will provide leadership for registration, parking, judges, guides, staff runners, sanitation service as well as man numerous booths and events throughout the encampment site. Because of the complexity and scope of this vast undertaking the lodge will have to make setup and staffing preparation beginning early Friday morning.

I would be grateful and appreciative if you would excuse his absence from your school for all or part of Friday, November 7, 2008 so that he may join the lodge at the Talladega Super Speedway for preparation and staffing responsibilities. Please also allow him to make up any tests, assignments or homework missed during this excused absence.

This encampment will be a great learning and leadership experience for the scouts who have been chosen to participate. If you require additional information you may contact me or Mr. Seth Hill at the Council Service Center :(205) 979-0251 or 1-888-490-8955

Respectfully,

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