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Please see the attached letter from VEEC. We hope you pass these standards which are for the good of all students in our state.

Thank you for your consideration.

**Con mucho aprecio/ With gratitude,**

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