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Coach Aaron Foreman,  
NFL High School Player Development Program

Dear Coach Foreman,

My name is Lawrence T. Smith & I currently serve as Assistant Superintendent of Cheltenham Youth Facility. Cheltenham is a juvenile detention facility that houses males between the ages of 13-18. On behalf of Cheltenham Youth Facility, I would like to personally offer a letter of appreciation for the outstanding NFL Football Camp you presented to our residents from June 21, 2010 until June 26, 2010.

As noted from our earlier conversations, due to Cheltenham being a detention facility, confidentiality is a key component that cannot be breached for our residents. Therefore, the facility was not able to provide full names, as well as, full medical disclosure for our residents. However, as discussed via telephone, while residents are in our care & custody, the state of Maryland has residential oversight & provides all medical insurance coverage in the event of an emergency. In addition, all of the residents who participated in the program received a complete physical upon their admission into our facility. All of the participants in the NFL football camp successfully passed the physicals & were cleared to participate.

As you were aware, a total of 103 residents took part in the camp during the week. Since the completion of the camp, there has been several inter-mural flag football games held at our facility. I personally had the opportunity to witness several of these games. The resident's have taken your positive approach & attitude towards football & display these traits on the field. It brought a tear to my eye when one young man scored a touchdown pass. Immediately after scoring the touchdown, the young man came over to me & stated, "Mr. Smith, when you speak with Coach Foreman, let him know his advice helped him. Make sure you tell him how I caught that pass." I informed the young man that I would definitely ensure that Coach Foreman, as well as, his staff receive the message.

The above situation describes perfectly the legacy Coach Foreman & his staff left with our residents. Basketball was previously the popular sport here at our facility, but now football has established its dominance here thanks to the tutelage & dedication of Coach Foreman & his staff. On behalf of the entire Cheltenham Youth Facility, please accept my heartfelt "thank-you" for a job well done!

In the future, if I can be of any assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me. If necessary, I can be reached via e-mail at: [SmithL@djs.state.md.us](mailto:SmithL@djs.state.md.us).

Sincerely,

Lawrence Smith,  
Assistant Superintendent