September 1, 2017

To: School Administrators and Teachers

Subject: Excused Absence from School Dec.9 – Dec.13, 2017

Dear School Administrators and Teachers,

Snowball Express is a national organization serving the children of military fallen heroes. As Executive Director, I respectfully request your assistance in granting permission for_________________________________ to be excused from school in order to attend Snowball Express 12 in Dallas, Texas from December 9 through December 13, 2017.

Snowball Express is an organization that works to provide a life-changing, all expense paid gathering for children of our military who have died in either combat or non-combat related incidents since September 11, 2001 while on active duty. Our mission; Honor America’s fallen military service members who have made the ultimate sacrifice since 9/11 by humbly serving the families they left behind. Champion their children’s future success by creating opportunities for joy, friendship, education, and communal healing, by connecting these families to one another. Snowball Express has provided this experience for several thousand children over the years. This year, we will host more than 1,700 attendees from 47 states and as far away as Australia, Japan and Europe.

Children who attend Snowball Express join hundreds of other children who have also lost a parent who died while serving our nation. They benefit immensely from sharing fun, fellowship and the opportunity to create lasting new memories with other children who are just like them. Snowball Express also demonstrates that America honors their sacrifices and will never forget their dad or mom who died defending our freedom.

We realize there are a limited number of days that children are permitted to be absent from school. There are several holidays each year in which our veterans are recognized but none in which the children of these fallen heroes experience that special attention they need. We hope you and your staff will consider the unique nature of this opportunity and work with the parent and child of to complete the necessary work in advance to comply with state and local regulations.

Please visit our website at www.snowballexpress.org to learn more and please feel free to contact us personally.

Respectfully,

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