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标题： My continued interest in getting off the wait list

Dear Asheville admission office,

I am writing to let you know my continued interest in getting accepted to Asheville. My parent and I made a trip to the U.S. to visit schools in late January. It was regrettable that neither my dad nor my uncle was able to secure an appointment to visit Asheville or have a skype interview due to the fact that I already had Vericant interview. I always wonder what different it would have made if I had an opportunity to present myself to you face-to-face. I welcome an opportunity for a Skype interview if possible.

It has been a long while since the Vericant interview. I started to take private after-school English tutoring after the Vericant interview. My English has improved so much that you may tell the difference if you talk to me. My writing has also improved. I sent one of my practice essays to the local newspaper Xiamen Daily. It was published in the English edition. The essay is titled “My trip to Walden Pond”. It is about a trip we took while visiting schools in the U.S. Walden Pond is the place where the great writer Henry David Thoreau wrote his famous book of the same name. (I am attaching a copy in this email in case you have not seen it).

Please allow me to share other things I have been doing since I submitted my application. I took the semester final exams right after I return home from the U.S. For my grade the final exams were the government’s Standard of Learning exams. I scored 742 and ranked 97+ percentile among all students of my grade.

I continue to train tennis with my private coach Mr. Wenkui Shen, former National Amateur Champion for Tennis Double, 3 times per week, 3 hours each time. Hopefully I will finish better than last year (5th place) in this year’s Xiamen City Games.

I also followed closely the Go games between Google’s AlphaGo and Lee Sedol. It brought me great interest in artificial intelligence. My friend Ke Jie, who is only 5 years older than I am but already the world’s #1 ranking Go player, will play AlphaGo next. He is my idol and my hero. He was kind enough to write me a recommendation letter last week. I wish you have seen it.

My current activity, other than keeping my academics in top shape, is the China Juvenile Entrepreneurship Contest, to be held on 4/9 - 4/10. It is an all English contest. For the last few weeks, I have organized a team and we are developing a business plan, to be pitched to judges who are real investors from major business incubators in China. Our team’s business idea is to use a free mobile app to let people share real-time merchandise prices from around the city. A shopper who wants to buy a merchandise will be able to find out who is selling it and who has the best price without visiting the stores. We are currently working on how to make a profit with the business idea.

I have learned so much about your school. I am especially interested in App Development Summer Camp. I am sure it can help me realize my dream to become a high tech entrepreneur. Asheville is my dream school and I wish to have a chance to study there.

Sincerely,

Yangchicheng (Charlie) Shen