



**PASCO SCHOOL DISTRICT #1**  
Maya Angelou Elementary School  
6001 Road 84  
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**October 19<sup>th</sup>, 2004**

**David Merrill, President**  
**Washington Elementary Chess Champions**  
**513 Wagon Court**  
**Richland, Washington 99352**

**Dear Mr. Merrill,**

**I wanted to thank you and Washington Elementary Chess Champions for donating the equipment to start a chess club at Maya Angelou Elementary School in Pasco. The start-up kit which included 20 chess sets, 20 chess boards, 20 zip lock bags, 2 chess clocks, a demo board and pieces and a storage box, has gotten us off to a great start.**

**Our first Chess Club meeting was October 5<sup>th</sup> and 26 students attended. The second week, 32 students attended and today 33 students attended. Students K-5 are allowed to attend and because of the size and the varying level of skill I have divided the group. Beginning level students will continue to meet on Tuesdays from 3:20-4:30PM and more advanced students will attend on Thursdays from 3:20-4:30PM. The Chess Club will become an official school club and will be managed under our Associated Student Body (ASB)**

**Again, I want to express how much your support and that of Washington Elementary Chess Champions is greatly appreciated. We look forward to seeing you all at the tournaments.**

**Sincerely,**

**Tim Haugen, School Counselor & Chess Club Advisor**  
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