



April 07, 2014

Mr. Robert J. Gregory, City Manager  
City of Longview  
1525 Broadway  
Longview, WA 98632

Re: LCC–David Story Field Interlocal Agreement

Dear Bob,

First and foremost, Lower Columbia College wishes to acknowledge its sincere appreciation to the City of Longview for its ardent support of the relationship between the College and the Cowlitz Black Bears, especially through the financial arrangement set forth in the Interlocal Agreement dated October 2009. This arrangement facilitated substantial improvements to David Story Field, and maintenance of the improvements, including the following:

- Left Field Deck
- Left Field Concessions Stand, Restrooms and Ticket Office
- Relocation of Home Bullpen
- Left Field Landscape
- Expansion of Right Field Viewing Area
- Safety Netting for Left Field Bullpen and Right Field Picnic Area
- Improvement to Press Box Internet Capacity
- Replacement of Home Plate Netting
- Relocation of Right Field Bullpen
- Improvement of Interior Field Walls
- Safety Netting for Third Base Bleacher Area

The relationship between the parties has expanded during its four-year existence, to the benefit of the community at large, and the facility continues to offer the College and the community a premier baseball venue for our region. Field related operational costs have grown with the facility's expanded level of activity. All of the funds provided through the Interlocal Agreement have been and will continue to be allocated to improvements and to maintenance and operational expenses of Story Field.

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In light of our commitment to offer a prime baseball facility for the enjoyment of our local community, we respectfully request that (i) the Agreement be extended for as long as Black Bears' games are played at Lower Columbia College, and (ii) the \$6K rebate maximum be lifted to allow the College to recoup more of its direct costs related to Story Field.

Very truly yours,  
LOWER COLUMBIA COLLEGE

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'N.K. Wheeler', written in a cursive style.

Nolan K. Wheeler, Vice President of Administration