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Dear OUUSD School Board,

I am a senior at Oxbow High School and have been asked to write a letter to a local representative. I want to thank you for all the time and effort that you all have put in in the past year. I am writing this letter to bring attention to the lack of a language department in our school system.

For years now the school has been slowly eliminating the language department. As someone who took French for three years and then all of the sudden there was no longer a French class to take, I believe that having a language department is a vital part to a students academic career. And now even the Spanish department is slowly diminishing. Nowadays speaking more than one language is something that a lot of people wish they could do. Our country is becoming more and more diverse and being able to speak more than one language will help you with communication in the workplace or even just in everyday life. By having a language department in school students have the opportunity to take a language class and broden their learning experience. The school does provide students with the opportunity to apply to language classes online but they are not as proficient in their teaching methods and not having the opportunity to speak the language aloud everyday slows the learning process. By having a language department in the school itself it makes the school look good because it shows that they offer more than just the average classes and that they are pushing their students to be better academically.

Thank you for taking the time to read this letter and thank you again for all that you have done for the school and community in the past year it has been tough for all of us. I would like to hear your opinion on this matter as I am sure that there others who feel the same way about this matter in our school community. Thank you again for your time.

Very respectfully,



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