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Dr. James Moore, Principal  
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February 27, 2012

Dear Dr. Moore:

I wanted to write and thank you for allowing the "Drummers with Attitude" group to perform at McKinley Elementary School in Elkins Park on Friday, February 24, 2012. Friday was the second time that the performers have been able to visit our school and the students and staff are always excited by their performance. The way that the performers are able to showcase their unique drumming skills with recycled materials is incredible for an elementary school audience.

Mr. Travers informed me that many of the students who are selected to be a part of the group are students who are identified as "at-risk" and meet the criteria for special education services. The way in which the "Drummers with Attitude" program has been able to capture these students and afford them with an opportunity to remain connected to the school and experience a high degree of success is admirable. Notably during their recent visit, Mr. Travers and his students were able to take several of our special needs students and include them in their performance. Our students' involvement in this performance was a wonderful opportunity for them to shine among their peers and I can only imagine the impact that the group has been able to have for your students.

Our students have been truly enthralled by the work that your students do through their involvement in the "Drummers with Attitude" program and are already clamoring to begin a group like this at our school. I recognize in this economic climate that it is not always possible to provide the financial resources and opportunities for students in the way that we would like and unfortunately these types of programs are unable to be maintained. On behalf of the staff and students of McKinley, I would like to thank you for your support of the "Drummers with Attitude" program and for allowing them to visit our school to share their program with us. This was truly the highlight of the week for many of the students in my school. I wish you and your school the very best in all of your continued endeavors.

Sincerely,

Charles William Lentz  
Principal

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