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To Whom It May Concern,

It is with great honor to write this letter of recommendation for the Rock in Prevention team that came to present at our school. We had three presenters, Todd Stevens, Marcelo Arévalo, and Jenna Huston showed great strength in their presentation skills and enthusiasm for the program. They were able to connect with all students through the music, dancing, and important messages. Each workshop was tailored to fit the age group present. The language the presenters used with the different grades was appropriate and effective for their developmental level.

Students were taught to care for one another, to say "we don't do that here" to bullying, and "no" to drugs and alcohol. The presenters incorporated fun music with meaningful lyrics, while getting the student's involved with different movements and actions that followed the music. Through the activities and music, the student's learned how to treat others with kindness, build positive relationships and improve their school. They were able to see how they can affect those around them positively with a smile and kind words. Additionally, having the high school students present made a large impact on how the student's responded to the presentation. Students were more willing to go up front and sing and dance when they saw the high school student's doing it. I believe the combination of enthusiastic and competent presenters with high school students, made for an amazing day for all students here at Roundy.

Not only did our students enjoy the presentation today, but the high school students had a great time too. All students were laughing and smiling during their workshop. Several students' continued to talk about the workshop in the hallways and at lunch. The high school students even asked if they could eat with the presenters. We also had teachers playing the CD for their students throughout the day.

The presence of Rock in Prevention could be felt through our hallways today. The materials given to the staff to further reinforce the Rock in Prevention message will allow us to continue creating the positive feelings we saw today. This program not only benefited our elementary students, but our high school students as well. As a staff, we highly recommend having Rock in Prevention in all schools around Iowa. We look forward to having them back in the near future!

Sincerely,  
*Kelly Tyler*

School Counselor  
Roundy Elementary

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