



Recognition Letter

August 12, 2004

Dear Ms. Stevenson,

Thank you for your very motivating and inspiring program *Women: Back to the Future* that you presented to our 8th graders, May of 2004.

Your presentation had such a positive impact on all of our students, encouraging them to dream big, to go for those dreams, and to believe in themselves and their talents.

Musically and dramatically portraying four women from history that had to face many obstacles and odds, yet overcoming all of them to reach and surpass their goals, was so motivating to our students, and tied in very nicely with our History and Science curriculums. When often times students' self esteem and confidence is squelched by circumstances and society's expectations in general (especially young womens')... Your stories sent very hopeful and encouraging messages to the students. The use of make-up application and change of costumes during the program was very captivating, and your beautiful voice with song and dramatization was phenomenal, and definitely attention-getting.

We all left your program feeling uplifted. Teachers who attended were buzzing with positive feedback, noting how we had to have you back next year. The discussions in class following your presentation were wonderful to hear, as the students were so excited and inspired from your messages and character portrayals from history.

Thank you for your fantastic program and for your very positive message that young students especially need to hear.

Sincerely,

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