



Recognition Letter



Nancy S. Grasmick
State Superintendent of Schools
200 West Baltimore Street
Baltimore, MD 21201
410-767-0100
410-333-6442 TTY/TDD

August 10, 2004

Kate Campbell Stevenson
Women: Back to the Future
12122 David Drive
Silver Spring, MD 20904

Dear Kate:

On behalf of the Association for Gender Equity Leadership in Education (AGELE) and the Maryland State Department of Education, I want to thank you for your excellent presentation, *Women: Back to the Future*, at AGELE's recent 25th anniversary national conference, *Educational Equity As a Civil Right: A Capital Idea!* Participants who attended your session were inspired by the stories you told of women of diverse backgrounds, and commented on the professionalism of your performance. Conference attendees also enjoyed learning more about your programs through interacting with you throughout the conference and from viewing your materials at the conference resource display.

It is important for women and girls to see role models from women's history, and for men and boys to learn of the remarkable contributions that women have made to all areas of society. Your work highlights the strength, courage, creativity, and resilience of women in overcoming barriers and in making a difference in building our nation.

Best wishes for continued success in reaching out to schools and communities in Maryland and across the nation. AGELE and the Maryland State Department of Education look forward to working with you in the future. We also hope that you will be an active partner in helping us develop the Maryland Women's Heritage Center, which will be the first state center of its kind in the nation. Your insights and enthusiasm will add a great deal to the Center's development.

Sincerely,

Linda Shevitz
AGELE Conference Co-Chair
Educational Equity Specialist
Maryland State Department of Education