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To Whom It May Concern:

Today, the types of issues that children must face in school require an education that goes well beyond the scope of a teacher's lesson plan. As an elementary school teacher at Lasalle Sr. Elementary School, my colleagues and I understand that bullying is one such issue that is ubiquitous and children are in dire need of the necessary tools to help them cope with this problem.

We heard about a company called Dynamix Adventures Inc. who has developed quite a reputation throughout the Montreal School Boards for providing fun programs for children of all ages that focus on bullying and conflict resolution. Their philosophy is based on experiential learning and team building where children can acquire essential skills through their hands-on approach to learning. We decided to bring the Dynamix team into our school to work with our students over a three-week period. We chose their popular 'Conflict Resolution' program where the children participated in hands-on activities that gave them very practical ways to deal with conflicts. The children were completely taken by the program run by these vibrant and highly experienced facilitators. Not only were they able to connect with our students, but they also left a lasting impression on each and every one of them. Following the program, I noticed a great change in my students. They were not only using the skills taught to them by the Dynamix facilitators, but each of my students had a newfound confidence in themselves and with their peers as they learned a very valuable lesson: that they can unite together to overcome bullying. My students have incorporated what they learned from their time with Dynamix into dealing with daily problems and ask me regularly when they will be coming back to visit.

I believe that Dynamix offers a unique and essential program that all children should have the chance to experience. In this program, children learn that if they work together, they can never be singled out and bullied. They also learn crucial conflict resolution skills that they can use to improve their interactions with each other. It is my hope that Dynamix will be afforded media attention so that other schools may hear about this company and do for their students as I have done for mine. The purpose of my letter is to request that you exercise that ability and help give them the right exposure to allow for fellow teachers to bring the Dynamix team into their classrooms and offer their students a chance to learn the skills necessary to enjoy a safe and peaceful school experience that all children deserve.

Yours truly,

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