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D. W. Waters Career Center
It's Not Where You Start, It's Where You Finish

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To Whom It May Concern:

The administrative staff of D. W. Waters Career Center was initially impressed with the Cypress Center for Well-Being team's enthusiasm, compassion for our students, and professional demeanor from the moment they stepped onto our campus during the summer of the 2012-2013 school year.

Since that time, the Cypress Center for Well-Being has worked tirelessly with our female students to develop the "Spark Inside" Youth Program. Both on school campus as well as off-campus activities have proven to be occasions that have enhanced the lives of our youth by helping them establish healthy relationships with their peers, teachers, and other adults.

The Cypress Center has well exceeded their purpose of promoting stronger physical/mental well-being, stability, academic achievement, and a sense of community. A good example of how Cypress Center really reached out was when they sponsored the "Parent, Student, and Faculty Dinner". This occasion was very successful in bringing together the students/community with the faculty/staff our school. Another special event was when the Cypress Center teamed, and walked, with our students in support of the Breast Cancer Walk. Still yet another occasion was when the Cypress Center joined with our school in order to help our students learn the importance of "paying it forward" during the Metropolitan Ministries' Christmas Giveaway. These are but a few efforts that Cypress Center has utilized in order to promote healthy relationship-building.

Ultimately, through interactive interventions, the Cypress Center for Well-Being team has worked hard to increase understanding and support positive behavioral changes with our students. They have truly provided positive role modeling that our students may become positive role models to others.

Please do not hesitate to contact me regarding further examples of how special the Cypress Center for Well-Being has been in positively fostering the lives of our young students.

Sincerely,

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