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To whom it may concern:

As the principal of St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic School, I would like to express my strong support for Door to the Arts (DTTA). This school year, 2012-2013, will be the second year that DTTA has provided our students with various programming including dance, music, visual arts, language arts, and chess. We are very pleased with the quality of programming provided to our students, as well as the professionalism and responsiveness of DTTA to our staff and parents. They are a quality partner for any school.

DTTA's programming at STA is funded by fees paid by parents, and the demand for these fee based classes is growing. In 2011-12, DTTA provided 6 classes with over 40 students; this school year, they will be offering 15 classes. I'm sharing this information because, simply put, if there were no interest in DTTA's programs, parents would not pay for them, and our school would not offer them. I understand that DTTA would like to expand their grant-based programs by seeking grant funding in the near future. I am confident that a grant to DTTA is a sound investment in a quality organization. How pleased I am to know that DTTA, through their grant-based programs, will be able to provide quality arts programs to children who otherwise could not benefit from DTTA's valuable programming.

I look forward to a long partnership with DTTA at our school. If I may be of any other assistance, please contact me.

Sincerely,



Lisa Figueredo
Principal