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**Re : BluePrint For Life** 

To Whom it may concern....

We had BluePrint come work with our grade 7 to 12 students for one week. Before they came I was a little skeptical. How could a program about Hip Hop have any real, lasting, healthy impact on the students -- other than learning a few dance moves? I quickly came to understand that this program is very deep and involving and encompassing far more about life than just learning how to dance. Not only were the students learning some amazing dance moves and working together as a team, but they were opening up and learning to deal with issues and challenges they face in their daily lives. There was so much healing and being open and understanding of others in the program that it had an immediate impact. The students were captivated and highly motivated to come everyday and participate eagerly. The grande finale was a performance by all students to the community and it was a major event that all enjoyed. One student, who has many challenges, and never speaks, got up in front of everyone and made a motivating speech. He has since been very talkative in school. This is a very true and real outcome from this program and not the only wonderful story. I highly recommend this program. I wish we could have them every year.

Michael Bartley
Principal.