

To Whom It May Concern,

The spring of 2002 was my first encounter with David Major's amazing abilities as a public speaker. I was then a high school student attending the annual Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership conference. Since then I have been fortunate enough to see David on two other occasions, both experiences equally rewarding as the first.

David has an impeccable way of connecting with youth. His vibrant personality keeps an audience of students engaged. His message may be similar to that which is conveyed by many other speakers that high schools bring to their students, but the manner in which David presents his subjects of interest is very different. He places himself on the same level as those to whom he's speaking making the students feel more as if his presentation were a conversation, another aspect that keeps students engaged.

His means of connecting with students may be a little out of the ordinary, but that is what high school students are looking for. They don't want someone to come into their school in a suit and tie to speak to them about leadership and self esteem. Students want to hear about those things from someone who knows what it's like. Being a college student is a huge asset to David's abilities to connect with his audiences. He not only has been where these high school students are, but in a sense he still is there because he's still a student.

While attending high school in Livonia, I'd seen many speakers and heard very different feedback from various students. The majority of the time the highlight was that somewhere between the beginning and the end they were able to sneak in a nap. For the first time in four years of high school after David came to speak I received the most responsive and positive feedback. As the president of the school's student council it was in my interest to seek the opinions of the students. I came across suggestions, of course, but as I encountered students, freshmen through seniors, I didn't receive a negative response from anyone. In fact there was nearly unanimous agreement in that David was the best speaker they'd seen.

Since first seeing David in 2002, I've been able to get to know him on a personal level and his outgoing and likable personality attests to his fantastic speaking abilities. He is fresh, young talent with the ability to best connect with the audience who most needs to hear what he has to say.

Sincerely,

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