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To Whom it may Concern:

For October, I was working toward bringing a motivational speaker into my school, Centre Hastings Secondary School, to spread their wisdom and hardships about high school life. After the approval of administration, it was time to pick a speaker, and I knew it had to be Dave Major.

In May, I attended a conference in Oakville, Ontario, where I saw Dave do his speech, and I remember not wanting the speech to end, because his talent and ability to reach people was incredible. At the conference, Dave had given me his email, so it was easy for me to contact him if I need any information. From the moment where I contacted him, he was very good when it came to accommodating us at such short notice, and it was more than a speech to him, or something that he was getting paid for. I knew he genuinely cared, because he wanted to know some information about the area and the kids who attended the school, like what they did in their spare time, and what our school was like. He's paid to motivate, not to care, but he did both, and he did them well.

During Dave's time at our school, he did two speeches in the morning. By the end of each, the kids, and the teachers, were paying attention to his every move to see what he would do next. The power he had over them was incredible, and he achieved this power by simply being himself and using humour as a weapon that was more powerful than anything else imaginable. I've seen Dave speak three times, and although I can say a lot of his programme with him (from seeing it so many times), it still gets me every time. I still laugh, and, more importantly, I still think. His programme is something that every high school should be exposed to, for the benefits it would offer are endless.

If I were at another school, I would bring Dave there also. His talents stretch that far. I recommend him to any venue where there are people that could make their lives better. That's everywhere.

If you have any further questions regarding Dave, please feel free to contact Candice, at corky22\_@hotmail.com or (613) 473-4251, extension 2160.

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