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To Whom It May Concern,

I would like to take this time to share with you the knowledge that I have concerning the Measured by Character program that was presented to our $6^{th} - 11^{th}$ Grade students at Tioga. As an administrator at Tioga ISD I can certainly recommend both Wade White and John Patterson to speak to any teenage group of students and highly motivate them to make a change with their lives. The way they engaged and motivated the students for forty-five minutes has rarely, if ever, been seen at Tioga in my three years with the district. The students immediately respected the character program that primarily Mr. White was sharing with them. Our particular group of students remained attentive and their excellent behavior during the program confirmed that they gained valuable information to use in their daily path.

Mr. White has strong communication skills and relates very well to the student body. His combination of personal stories and current trends drove home the message to our students. He knew when to make the students laugh and when it was time to get their attention in order to learn. When we have guest presenters, rarely do I have a reaction from the staff of teachers in which the support and positive comments are so complimentary. That was the case with Measured by Character.

Mr. White has a gift for working with all levels of students because of his own life experiences regarding the circumstances with his son. He is a confident and professional presenter and displays a sincere interest for the students. He was immediately respected and appreciated on our campus and very quickly built a rapport with staff members and students.

It would be my pleasure to answer any further questions concerning Wade White or John Patterson. It is no secret that all schools are very busy places with hectic schedules, but it is well worth the time for what Measured by Character taught our students about striving to be a better person. Please do not hesitate to call me if you need any more information regarding their abilities as a viable school program.

Respectfully,

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