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Marguerite Tamer, Principal

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Dear Oleg and Terry,

I wanted to thank you both for a wonderful day of music this past Monday! The whole day was very well planned and you both were very professional. It is always nice when we can have performers who have experience teaching children. You were able to come up with age appropriate ways for the students to participate in the concert and it was evident that you were used to speaking with children in the way you interacted with the students the whole day long.

The music was lively and energetic and pieces were short enough that the children had no problem focusing. I was glad to here you express the importance of listening to music from different cultures and sharing that music with us. It is so important to encourage a multicultural understanding and acceptance, especially in an area that is not very diverse.

I especially enjoyed that you were able to have sessions with certain classes to teach them folk dances! The dances were easy and fun and the children had a blast. I try to incorporate all different aspects of how music can be enjoyed in my classroom so I appreciate that extra outlet. Again, it was done in much the same way I would have done it in my classroom but with the benefit of live music!

Thank you so much for sharing your talents with us and allowing us to experience the music that you love. I would love to be able to get copies of the music you did for the dance sessions so I can continue to do them in my classroom. Thank you again for an excellent experience!

Sincerely,



Mrs. Beth Barr
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Chorus
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