

Dr. Stiles Simmons Superintendent

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To whom it may concern,

I am writing this letter in support of Sports World. The mission of Sports World is to address problems facing our nation's youth by sending professional athletes to share personal life experiences with students, helping them to recognize the consequences of their choices while challenging them with a message of hope.

The Sports World motto "You're not born a Winner; You're not born a Loser; You're born a CHOOSER" is presented to students during assemblies by pro athlete speakers helping students to make positive choices throughout the school year and by discussing mental health issues, anti-bullying, depression, anti-suicide, etc. Because of their professional athletic backgrounds, these trained speakers are able to capture the hearts and minds of students – providing the hero students so desperately need.

Over the past three years, the Westwood Community School District has worked with Sports World to bring the message of hope and good decision making to its students. Our district has appreciated the help and support of the program that we have received from the Dearborn Heights Rotary Club. We have observed positive results as result of the interactions between the former pro athletes and our students. I would urge you to consider bringing Sports World to your school community.

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