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As principal of Markham Middle School for the past two years, I have had the opportunity to collaborate with Children's Resources for the benefit of our students and parents. This partnership has been very rewarding, as the organization has assisted us tremendously in getting more parents actively involved with our Parent Center and creating an educational cohort through which parents are able to matriculate and achieve milestones.

Program Director, Shannon O'Brien, has demonstrated a commitment to our parents. Through her weekly facilitation of parent seminars, and participation at school orientations, back-to-school nights, and parent leadership meetings, she has established a strong presence on our campus. This, in turn, has given her great credibility with our parents and staff.

Last December Ms. O'Brien helped to organize a holiday pot-luck in our parent center, which was very well attended. I was impressed not only by the level of participation, but by the positive interactions among the parents and the improved environment of the center as a whole.

If you decide to enter into a partnership with Children's Resources for the establishment of a strong parent involvement program, I think that you will be very pleased with the outcomes.

Respectfully,

Timothy Sullivan, Principal