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To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Teresa Richmond and I am the principal of San Miguel Elementary in Lemon Grove. San Miguel Elementary students are working hard to achieve mastery in learning all of the National Core Arts Standards in conjunction with the California Common Core Standards. We spend time each week, dedicated to learning The Arts, integrating them into our everyday academic lessons. Our vision as students and staff at San Miguel Elementary, is to develop a meaningful integration of visual and performing arts into all subject areas, highlighting our San Miguel diversity, while developing artists and scholars, which will promote an innovative community and school culture.

This letter serves to affirm our commitment to the Malashock program. San Miguel Elementary supports this unique and meaningful learning experience and we look forward to providing our students with engaging opportunities that they would not otherwise be able to participate in, while at school. Our diverse groups of students are not afforded these types of learning experiences at home. It is up to us at San Miguel Elementary, to provide an innovative way to make our curriculum meaningful and engaging, keeping our students interested in staying in school. The integration of music and movement while teaching academic concepts is exactly what our children need in order to be successful, creative and divergent thinkers, dynamic problem solvers and innovative strategists in this ever-changing global society.

Our students, parents, staff and community members have all expressed a need for an in-depth and comprehensive integrated Visual and Performing Arts program. The proficient and skilled instruction from Malashock artists/teachers, paired with our passionate and instructionally talented teachers, 12-week rotations of classes, matched with Common Core State standards and National Core Arts standards, is a perfect combination that will change the educational experience for all students, as we know it. We would be more than happy to be the vehicle for change in Arts instruction, seamlessly bridging and integrating multiple mediums of the arts and academics. Working with Malashock will allow us to be the change we desire to be.

I strongly encourage any support that will help Malashock continue their innovative community partnerships in San Diego.

Sincerely,

  
Teresa Richmond, Principal  
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*Our Students Come First*