



PARK CREST MIDDLE SCHOOL

1500 North Railroad Avenue
Pflugerville, Texas 78660

(512) 594-2400
Fax: (512) 594-2405

December 10, 2007

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter will recommend to you MR. JOEL LAVIOLETTE and his band, RATTLETREE MARIMBA, as an excellent choice for a group to perform in any setting, particularly in a school assembly. In April, 2007, this group performed for our Diversity Day program and literally brought the house down. Their energy and spirit, combine with the themes of the day and nature of the program, inspired students and teachers alike to get up and dance spontaneously, in a celebration of joy that lasted far longer than I have ever seen.

This group had made their own instruments, and played them extremely well. The members (five or six) frequently rotated from one instrument to another, demonstrating proficiency on all of them. The music was lively, representing African cultures, yet having an appeal for anyone.

I cannot recommend this group strongly enough, for anyone wishing to provide a time of entertainment that also instructs both students and/or adults about music from another culture, and its value to us. I hope your group gets a chance to hear these people play. It will make a difference.

Sincerely,

Steve Fuller,
Principal
Park Crest Middle School,
Pflugerville, Texas