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Dear Utah Arts Council:

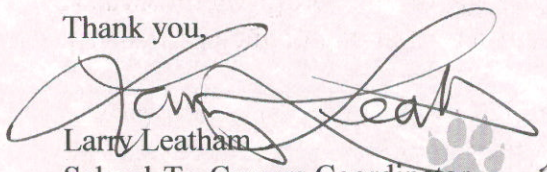
On February 7, 2006, Fremont High School held its "Life Skills Conference." for the eighth year. Fifty different professionals from five career fields were invited to participate. Every student in the school was able to attend three different sessions. The opportunity for students to hear first hand information about careers and experiences from experts in their field was a definite plus. This allows students to gain a greater understanding of what opportunities lie ahead and possibly set some goals for themselves.

To conclude our conference each year we invite a keynote speaker to present to the entire studentbody. This year we invited Brenn Hill to talk and perform. Brenn was a student at Ogden High School when I was the principal. What an outstanding, dynamic job he did. He started off with one of his great songs, explaining how he came up with the idea for the song. Throughout his performance he took the time to talk to the kids about setting goals and getting a good education. He stressed the importance of reaching for the things you are passionate about, using himself as an example of one who followed his dreams. He took time to mention the detriments of taking drugs and drinking alcohol. His choice of songs appealed to the age group he was dealing with.

In all the years we have held the conference, I don't think anyone has left a better impression on the studentbody. He received standing ovations. Hundreds of students have thanked me for inviting Brenn to perform. One student commented, "How did you ever get him here? We loved his performance-let's get him back!" Another student who has a great interest in becoming a song writer and musician was given the opportunity to talk one-on-one with Brenn and play his guitar. We so desperately need good role models for kids to be able to emulate and look up to. Brenn truly sets an example for the youth of today to follow.

I'm writing you this letter to express my feelings that Brenn Hill is one of the greatest assets to the performing arts of this state and the country.

Thank you,


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