

To Whom It May Concern:

I would like to take this opportunity to express excitement of our partnership with "Food for Fuel" and its International Fitness Diplomat program. We are always seeking new and creative techniques at delivering critical information to the student population. The health status of young people is reaching critical mass and having this program in Washington DC schools will dramatically help increase the knowledge of students regarding their health and assist local health officials. The program will enable select prominent professional athletes and leading experts on nutrition to build closer ties with young people, their families, and their teachers that will yield many benefits.

The athletes will work on behalf of Food for Fuel to promote a healthier diet by educating students on effective nutrition behaviors to help reduce obesity, create an attitude concerning diet that ensures a healthy lifestyle, and create an educational tool for future use at select schools.

We are enthusiastic about Food for Fuel because it helps us to meet our goal of improving student's education about health, nutrition and increased physical activity. Please feel free to contact me should you need any additional assistance. I can be reached at (202) 986-2200 ext. 3023.

Thank you imberly Perry

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