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To: chinn@4j.lane.edu, henry lo <henry_lo@4j.lane.edu>

Hello Mr. Chinn and Ms. Henry,

I apologize, but I'm not sure who organizes assemblies at Howard and thought I should touch base with both of you to see who is best to talk to. Actually, my niece, Sophie Jakubenas, goes to school there and my sister, Heather, has a bakery and makes custom cakes. I think she made a Road Runner cake for your school once. :-) It would be fun if this arrangement worked out.

So, the reason I'm touching base with you is because I'm a student at U.S. Taekwondo College over on West 11th and Washington. I volunteered to contact you to see if you have an assembly, multicultural event or other event coming up that has a time slot open for a demonstration by our demo team. We have a positive message that we share throughout the demonstration and our school Head, Great Grand Master Lee, is an excellent motivational speaker. Kids have a lot of fun watching the demos and we have been doing them in Eugene area schools for many years.

We can increase or decrease the length of the demonstration according to the time slot you have open. Ideally, we like 20 minutes but it can be shorter or longer. For example, in December we did a five minute slot at North Eugene High School for the Peterson Park Barn Christmas program; at the University of Oregon we did a 25 minute demonstration at the EMU ballroom. *Please note, that there is no fee for our demos. Some schools give us an appreciation payment, but it is not necessary.*

Our demo team:

- Performs in public events and festivals like the Asian Celebration, at the University of Oregon, and community park festivals
- Has performed at many public school assemblies over the nearly 30 years since we started giving demonstrations -- sometimes at a different school each day, from Florence to Eugene to Salem
- The demo team is made up of kids, teens and adults who all work together
- Has a positive "I can do it" message and shows kids exercising self-control, respect and discipline

Our school's Head, Great Grand Master Lee:

• A 9th degree black belt

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- Is the former Head Instructor of Hand to Hand Combat in the Korean Army
- An Olympic trial judge and Olympic trainer
- A financial contributor to several local causes like Eugene Emergency Housing

About my affiliation with the school:

My son and I moved back to Eugene last year from Portland. I enrolled him at U.S. Taekwondo College because he was having some trouble adjusting to the relocation. Training there gave him a lot of confidence, discipline and, with his ADHD, gave him a boost in the focus department which helped him engage with school better. I see this increase in self-confidence happen with many of the elementary and middle school kids who come to train, which is why I feel good about contacting you about finding time for a demonstration.

I'm attaching a flyer about the demo team here for a basic introduction. I'm working on a video from a demonstration they did last year at the University of Oregon and I hope that will give a more literal example of what the flyer illustrates. *Our two performances at the Asian Celebration* this year are on Saturday, February 14th at 11:45am and Sunday, February 15th at 4:45pm (though the schedule tends to slide around a bit that late in the day.) If you plan to be there, please come watch the fun! :-)

We'd love to get something scheduled with you in February, but the rest of the school year is a good opportunity as well, though the end of the school year is quietly sneaking up.

I'll give you a call in the next couple of days if I don't hear from you first.

Best regards,	
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