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To Whom It May Concern:

My two daughters have attended Allsport Academy since January 2012. I searched the Tucson area for a school that can meet my children's needs. In interviewing different schools, I found that most focused only on one aspect of growth for young adolescents, that aspect being academics at the expense of all else, including character development, good citizenship, and developing self esteem.

Somehow, Allsport Academy has been able to not only help my children learn academics but also helped my oldest daughter navigate this difficult period of adolescence and emerge with self esteem, honesty and the basic education needed to start and be successful in high school.

My younger daughter is entering 8th grade. She has an austistic spectrum disorder. When she started 7th grade her reading level was about the 2nd grade. By the end of the year, she was reading at the 5th grade level. Her special needs have always been addressed. The staff have communicated well with me and have regularly reviewed her IEP. I had never experienced such concern and professionalism in any of the previous TUSD schools or any other charter school in the Tucson area.

I am impressed by how well the administration, teachers and helpers know each of the children, their strengths and weaknesses, their home situations and theirs learning styles. By knowing them so well, I believe they demonstrate genuine concern which is lacking in most larger schools.

I strongly encourage you to allow Allsport Academy to maintain its charter and be given a second chance to prove to the state that they are indeed an exceptional well-rounded school capable of producing responsible and successful young adults. If you have questions for me, you may reach me on my phone or by email. I appreciate your willingness to read this letter.

Sincerely,

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