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Dr. Aldo Jackson
Erie County Technical School
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Dear Dr. Jackson:

I must commend you and the Erie County Technical School for committing to supporting the Travel and Lodging Association Golf Tournament fundraiser on Thursday, September 7, 2006. The school was well represented by the students who participated in this event. By allowing them the opportunity to be in the presence of and to network with many of the travel and tourism industry leaders is an experience not available to many students.

I was able to meet briefly with Mr. Kraft and the students. Unfortunately, I did not have much time to spend with them because they were preparing to assist members of the travel and tourism staff in the many duties that had to be accomplished.

However, during the time I did spend with your students, they were articulate and well mannered. It was obvious that they are committed to a successful career in the travel and tourism industry.

Their participation in this event, allowed them to benefit by seeing firsthand another of the many functions that a successful person in the travel and tourism industry must be able to handle. The logistics for such an event can be numbing for someone with no exposure to the fast pace setup and the behind the scenes operations.

I wish your students continued success in this area.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James Gronski".

James Gronski, Manager
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Cc: Robert Kraft, Instructor
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