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RE: Recommendation Letter

To Whom It May Concern,

The Why Don't You Want To? Workbook and presentation by Mr. James Hutchins has impacted my current and previous college students in a great way. I have watched these diverse groups of college students increase their belief in themselves and begin to focus on their educational and personal goals with a new determination. Students find their "Want To" after this powerful question is posed throughout the semester. I believe when they struggle to rise to meet each challenge they face this question is firmly planted in their minds and they know it demands an answer.

Mr. Hutchins has a dynamic way of intertwining his personal story of overcoming challenges in every phase of his life with the success principles that he teaches. The students are captivated by this powerful combination. His ability to relate across the lines of gender, ethnicity and age is magnetic. As he draws each student in they begin to take an introspective look into their own challenges. Many have determined to give up their excuses and instead pursue accomplishment after hearing him speak.

I also use the Why Don't You Want To? Workbook as a required textbook in my class. Each chapter in the workbook yields the opportunity for the students to think critically and respond with solutions to the problems the characters in the workbook are facing. Each lesson helps them to identify with their own issues as they take an honest look into the necessary changes they need to make to increase their personal success. At the end of each semester, the students gain a personal revelation and use it to propel themselves to stay on track and move forward.

I believe that the *Why Don't You Want To? Experience* is one that every student should have the opportunity to participate in. I am excited for the students at your school to have this opportunity!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Michelle Brown".

Michelle Brown

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