



# E.H. Phillips Elementary

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"HIGH STANDARDS EVERYDAY FOR ALL STUDENTS"

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To Whom it May Concern,

This letter is regarding a visit to EH Phillips Elementary school from Mr. Stephen Kozan, an author from Student Author Movement. On Friday, September 16, 2022, our 4<sup>th</sup> grade students here at EH Phillips had the pleasure of not only meeting Mr. Kozan, but they also had the opportunity to learn about what it takes to be an author. Furthermore, our students had the chance to become an author and write a story summary of their own! During the presentation, our students were completely enamored with Mr. Kozan and his stories of how he came to become an author. Steven shared his stories of failure, success, as well as some fun side stories as well. Truthfully, our students are still blown away by the fact that Three Mile Island is on the cover of one of his books! After learning about Mr. Kozan's path to becoming an author, the students were given an opportunity to see their dreams come to life by creating a unique animal called Mophead, which an illustrator drew and shared with the entire class. The students then had an opportunity to write their own short story in hopes of being selected to write their own book! Overall, the presentation was a hit! It is absolutely obvious that the Student Author Movement is a beneficial program for our students.

On behalf of the 4<sup>th</sup> grade students and teachers, I would like to take this time to say thank you to Mr. Kozan and the Student Author Movement for taking time out of their busy schedules to come work with us. The impact made on some of our students was beyond obvious, and we have the Student Author Movement to thank for that! Also, we would like to thank the Masonic Lodge for allowing the Student Author Movement to come to EH Phillips. The time, money, dedication, and hard work are truly appreciated by the staff and students. We are so grateful for the opportunity to work with Student Author Movement, and I hope that we get the opportunity to do this again!

Sincerely,

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