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Cathy Reynolds, Principal

Shaquala White, Assistant Principal

To whom it may concern,

This letter is in reference to the December 9th Student Author Movement assembly by Stephen Kozan presented at Plumosa School of the Arts in Delray Beach, FL. We are a Title 1 Choice elementary school serving the neighborhood population with magnet programs in communication and performing arts.

We had 80 students in grades 4 and 5 greet Mr. Kozan on the media center, which provided an intimate setting for questions, comments and verbal interactions. During the presentation the students were given the opportunity to create a "flash fiction" story starter. The students were completely engaged and you could see the excitement in their faces! One of the students, Sean, was so excited he stood up during the entire session, smiling! When I spoke to him later he said he always wanted to write a novel and this was his chance to learn how!

Some of the students wrote their stories on paper, and many used their Chromebooks and I received many stories into the night and even over the weekend.

I would like to personally thank TE Connectivity for making this presentation possible for my students. I would highly recommend this program to other schools and we are anxiously awaiting the student-created book signing during Mr. Kozan's return visit sometime next year.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me at sally.smollar@palmbeachschools.org.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Sally Smollar'.

Sally Smollar,
School Librarian