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Dear Principal,

I am writing to congratulate you, the conductor, and choir students of the Savannah Arts Academy on their disciplined work ethic and outstanding performance at the recent Southeastern Choral Arts Festival (SECAF) hosted by Armstrong Atlantic State University.

At SECAF I rehearsed and conducted in performance several Academy students in the Festival Choir. Please know that Ms. Stallings prepared them well for the experience. The students learned the music prior to the festival so they could immediately begin a polish rehearsal. Moreover, they exhibited a tremendous work ethic—we rehearsed hard for more than six hours each day—and exceptional positive behavior. Though their talent may be God-given, their music literacy and discipline must be the result of excellent music instruction by Ms. Stallings—as you know, she is the quintessential music educator.

Ultimately their positive deportment is the outcome of high standards established by the administration, consistent discipline by all of your faculty, and the constant concern and vigilance of the choir conductor.

Too often principals hear only complaints when students misbehave. I thought you should hear the positives as well . . . Congratulations

Respectfully,

Dr. Chris D. White  
Head, Music Department

*Also, congratulations  
to Catherine and Eric  
marvelous soloists!*

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