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Dear Dr. Friedman,

I wanted to say thank you for the time you took with our staff on Thursday to further explain the materials and CD's we received for the Motivational Interviewing program. After the telephone conference we were very pleased with all of the possibilities of usage that the program provides. In a large district such as ours there are many areas of need that this program will address.

We are continuing to discuss the many applications available for our district and the personnel we would like to receive the training. All of the participants last week were impressed with how we can target the needs we have in providing behavior interventions using a curriculum that is interactive for students and is a current and cutting edge resource. Our plan is to use the program with 6th, 7th, 8th, and 9th grade students. This is where we will begin, training our elementary counselors, special ed counselors, drug and alcohol interventionist, PEP counselors, teachers working in our In-School suspension program, our alternative campus counselors, and our after-school mentoring program leaders. I was really pleased with how the scenarios are real world but are not preachy or judgmental.

Thank you also for helping with the grant that funded this project for our district. The cost to us will be minimal compared to the curriculum and training we will receive. We are excited about the training we will receive in August.

Thanks again for all your help.

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