To whom it may concern,

We have been involved with the Necedah Public School system for the last five years. Our daughter is in fourth grade this school year. Last school year we were approach about the "After School Program" by Mrs. Lowery at the school registration as our daughter was old enough to attend the program. Our daughter was having some difficulty with some of the new style math concepts, and we are at a bit of a loss trying to help her as the teaching style is so much different now than it was when we were students. We decided to enroll her in ASP and give it a try.

Not only did our daughter get the additional help that she needed in math, but her study skills and organization improved dramatically while she was involved with the program. She learned new skills and was able to enhance skills that she was already developing in a fund and social atmosphere. While it wasn't always fun and games at ASP, she understood that there was a time for work, and a time for play. She loved having the older kids helping her, and being able to look to her peers for support as well.

She attended almost all of the field trips put together by the program, and looked forward to each and every one of them. Even though the program consumed most of her free time each school night, she looked forward to attending and participating in the program.

This program really helped my daughter to grasp concepts that she was struggling with in a comfortable atmosphere without relying on mom and dad to help. I believe it gave her more confidence and improved her self-esteem as well. Our daughter is happily enrolled in the program again this year, and is looking forward a whole new set of adventures.

We also participated as a family in several of the other programs like "Families, food, and Fun in the Kitchen", and we rarely miss a "Cardinal ASP Family Night".

We see this program as a really good way for our daughter to learn a lot of good social skills, learning skills and habits, and a great tool to help her excel through her academic journey. She has already talked about being a helper in the program when she gets older so that she can help the younger kids.

Being is such a rural area, it can be difficult for our kids to develop good social skills outside of school. ASP gives these kids the opportunity to socialize while being productive and really have a good time with each other in a healthy way. We look forward to many years of ASP with our daughter, and sincerely thank all of those that make the program possible.

With much sincerity,

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