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To whom it may concern,

We had the privilege of welcoming the Alienation Speaking Group to our school this year. Through their presentation they influenced and inspired our students to build resiliency, empathy and confidence. In addition, they were encouraged to reflect on the impact of the decisions they make. As a Health teacher, I love how this presentation connects very well with the Alberta Health outcomes.

The students enjoyed every aspect of the experience including the personal stories, key messages and *Who is Perfect* video. Alienation was able to reach our diverse student group through telling their personal stories. The presentation was very powerful, meaningful and engaging. Our students shared how they were inspired to face their challenges, remain positive and never give up, no matter what the circumstances are. I would like to share some of the comments from our students:

“This was the best presentation I’ve ever seen.” -Grade 7 student

“I loved every part about the presentation, how much courage they had to face these challenges, their attitude, how strong they are after everything they’ve been through.” -Grade 8 student

“I feel as though Alienation changed my life forever. I’m amazed by how they have the courage to tell their stories and I would recommend them to anybody.”
– Grade 8 student

Having said that and witnessing the impact on our students, I would highly recommend this presentation for your school.

Sincerely,

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