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November 20, 2018

Saint Paul Public Schools  
Hannah Chan  
YCC Program Manager  
1780 W. 7th Street  
St. Paul, MN 55116

Dear Hannah:

On behalf of Saint Paul College, I strongly support the Academy of Finance at Como Park High School. Saint Paul College has worked with Saint Paul Public Schools for years.

Through our collaboration with the Academy of Finance, the college and school district have worked closely to build a relationship in which Academy students are exposed to post-secondary options and take rigorous classes from college instructors. Because of the strong partnership with the Academy of Finance, 23 students have graduated from Como Park High School with a Business Certificate from Saint Paul College. Hundreds of students have earned potential college credits.

With the partnership between Saint Paul College and Como Park's Academy of Finance, we've increased the engagement of high school students in college and career exploration activities and we've connected students to existing scholarship and support services.

Saint Paul College is committed to building a diverse student body and future workforce with Saint Paul Public Schools, Como Park High School, and the Academy of Finance.

Regards,

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November 19, 2018

Saint Paul Public Schools  
Hannah Chan  
Program Manager  
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Dear Ms. Chan:

On behalf of Right Track, I strongly support Como Park High School's Academy of Finance program. The Academy prepares under-resourced students for post-secondary and employment options, and Right Track brings together businesses and community-based organizations to provide work readiness and employment opportunities for youth.

Since 2014, we have worked closely with the Academy of Finance to provide students with summer internship opportunities. The Academy of Finance prepares students for college and career readiness through coursework and work experience. We have been impressed with the professionalism and work readiness interns have displayed during the interview process and in their jobs/internships.

Right Track is committed to youth career development and building a diverse future workforce. Saint Paul Public Schools and its Academy of Finance are strong and committed partners in our work.

Sincerely,

Kathy Korum M.Ed., CPRP  
Deputy Director  
Right Track Program Director  
Saint Paul Parks and Recreation



November 21, 2018

To Whom It May Concern:

It is my great enthusiasm that I write this letter of support for the Saint Paul Schools, CTE Program for the Advanced CTE Excellent Action Award. Saint Paul Schools, CTE Program has made a significant impact by providing career path opportunities for students in our community.

Hiway Federal Credit Union has had an opportunity to support the CTE Program in several capacities. Over the past ten years, in partnership with CTE, Hiway has developed our student run credit union branches which provides paid internships for students to explore career paths in finance along with learning valuable career and financial education skills. In addition to our school branches, Hiway has mentored students along with supporting work in the classrooms. For the past three years, I personally have had an opportunity to support CTE by serving as the Academy of Finance Chair, along with the CTE Business Chair. This partnership has been an extreme value for students and the business community.

The Saint Paul Schools, CTE Program is a valuable program that is designed to prepare students for post-secondary education. I am pleased and confident in supporting Saint Paul Schools for the CTE Excellent Action Award.

Sincerely,

Tina Jones  
Hiway Federal Credit Union  
Community Outreach Administrator