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To whom it may concern,

Cliff Mendelson's 'Day in Clay' hands-on ceramic workshops have been a great success at New Rochelle High School. That students are inspired is evident by their work during and after his hands-on demonstrations on and off the potters wheel. Cliffs ability to engage the participants on all grade levels (9th-12th) was demonstrated with ease and creativity. He is particularly good at giving students an appreciation of how their creative work fits into a continuum of art history and culture.

By the end of the day, the students had either participated in a group project (i.e., building a large pot) or worked individually with his encouragement. In addition, his slide shows helped them to grasp the link between art, design, and cultural expression.

I recommend Cliff's 'Day in Clay' program for any school that understands the unique addition that an artist in residence can provide students and faculty. Please feel free to call directly at (914) 576-4570 if you would like to talk to our Arts faculty about how we integrated the 'Day in Clay' into our curriculum.

Sincerely,



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