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To whom it may concern,

The Appleton Education Foundation invited Greg Warren to Appleton in mid-October to help celebrate our organization's 25th anniversary.

Greg was pleasant and easy to work with from my very first email exchange with him in the summer to our post-event correspondence.

We asked Greg to speak for a few minutes at a dinner event with our invited guests and then to deliver a keynote presentation to a general community audience. We also wanted to give some of our high school students a chance to interact with Greg and learn from him.

He spent an engaging hour with ~125 students enrolled in Renaissance School for the Arts, a public charter school that is housed within one of our traditional high schools. RSA students complete their English Language Arts and Social Studies requirements through classes focused on visual arts, music, dance, theater, literature and media arts.

Greg did bits from his act, then invited a few students up on stage to work their observations into comedy. Perhaps the best part was the Q & A. Students asked Greg about his career path, how he generates his ideas, and what his family thinks of his career. Greg was an open book and the students loved it.

Greg was as comfortable interacting with students as he was with adults.

During the evening community keynote I heard lots of laughter – genuine, belly laughter – and have received nothing but positive comments since. One person emailed the very next day to say their face hurt from laughing so much.

I would definitely recommend Greg Warren if you are looking for a truly funny keynote speaker. He attended public schools and his father was an educator. Those experiences, which he draws on in his act, made him particularly relevant for our audience.

If I can be of further assistance, please contact me at jkrause@appletoneducationfoundation.org.

Sincerely,

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