



Friends of Wonderland
Wonderland Avenue Elementary School

Stacey Attanasio - Gonsalves, Chair

July 28, 2012

To whom it may concern:

Bob Pfeifer and his son, Jerry, are close friends with my family (my husband Robert, Joe-9, James-7).

I, Stacey Attanasio-Gonsalves, am the Chair/President of Friends of Wonderland (501c3 parent led fundraising group for Wonderland Avenue Elementary School).

I am also a graduate of Stanford University, and have held Senior Executive positions at several major corporations, including Sony, Disney and Warner Bros.

Jerry Pfeifer entered Wonderland in first grade and was in my son Joe's class. Between Friends of Wonderland and classroom volunteerism, I am at school a lot, and therefore meet the other parents who are at school a lot. I met Bob Pfeifer because he was volunteering in the classroom, in the library, attending all class performances, contributing to classroom needs, etc. And as any parent who is frequently on campus knows, even on days that Bob does not "have" Jerry, he is at school dropping off lunch, making sure that Jerry has what he needs. Bob calls me frequently to check in on homework and school functions. Not seeing what's in the backpack every day (not having Jerry every day), Bob is incredibly conscientious to make sure he knows everything and can give Jerry everything Jerry needs to succeed.

Later that year Joe and Jerry became best friends, bonding over their interest in bugs. That's when I got to know both Bob and Jerry better- I found a kindred-spirit in parenting, as Bob/Jerry embarked with us on adventures to the Natural History museum, hikes, etc. Bob fuels Jerry's natural interests and is involved. He also exposes him to music and lessons. And I've seen Bob set up tutoring for Jerry at school, and Bob has called me for advice on tutors, sitters, other parents, etc. - because he cares and there is nothing more important than whom we trust with our children.

Which brings me to play-dates: both of my kids have gone to the Pfeifer's for play-dates. Joe learned Monopoly from Bob. Bob is the sort of Dad to be involved and interact with the kids. I know if I send my kids to Bob's house, he is truly looking out for them with the same concern he would his own child. I trust him. And he likewise sends Jerry to us. Jerry is a pleasure, respectful and bright. I've seen how Bob talks to Jerry and the values Bob instills, so Jerry's wonderful behavior and personality is clearly a testament to Bob's parenting.

Our families have remained friends, and the boys have been best friends, for three years, so I have witnessed first-hand what a caring, committed, intelligent, good-spirited, loving, selfless parent Bob is to Jerry.

As President of Friends of Wonderland, I also enormously appreciate Bob's commitment. Bob solicited donations for our Auction. I saw the letter Bob wrote to his music business contacts. They always said something like "you know I don't ask for anything for myself. But when it comes to my son Jerry, I am shameless and asking for your support."

- This is exactly who Bob Pfeifer is. He asks for nothing for himself. And commits 100% of his energy to his son Jerry. This is Bob Pfeifer.

Sincerely,


Stacey Attanasio-Gonsalves
Friends of Wonderland, Chair

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To Whom It May Concern:

I have been acting principal for Robert Gerald Pfeifer (Jerry) for four years and have known Bob Pfeifer, his father since Jerry started First Grade. I met Bob early in Jerry's time at Wonderland Ave. Elementary as Bob immediately became active at the school. He has participated in almost every school function, is active in our booster club, and has contributed time and money to ensure our programs run smoothly. Bob has always shown a keen interest in the education of his son and I have had multiple conversations with him about his hopes and dreams for his son's future. Bob has shown through his actions that he takes his son's education seriously.

Sincerely,

Don Wilson, Principal

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To Whom It May Concern:

I taught Jerry Pfeifer when he was in second grade, 2010-2011. Jerry's father, Bob, was a very reliable, responsible presence during that year. He was always available to discuss any issue, no matter how small. He was easy to communicate with, level headed and open minded. He made decisions with Jerry's best interest at heart.

Bob was at school frequently, to drop off or pick Jerry up, to bring him snack or lunch, and join any celebration we may have had in class; he even brought Jerry's pet komodo dragon to school for Share. He helped set up a field trip for not only my class, but the two other second grade classes with who I team teach.

Bob was eager to help Jerry in any way possible, and provided ample opportunities for Jerry to participate in after school tutoring and other activities.

I found Bob to be a caring, nurturing father, involved and current.

If you have any further questions, feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,
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July 29, 2012

To Whom It May Concern:

I was Robert Gerald Pfeifer's (Jerry's) teacher last year for third grade. Jerry's father, Bob, was very conscientious about staying in regular communication about Jerry's progress, homework, and projects. Bob came by school frequently to talk with me in person, and we emailed each other two or three times each week. Bob arranged his schedule to come to school for both regular and special events, such as when we had our class writing workshop celebrations, for music performances, Open House, etc. Bob also came to school frequently to bring Jerry lunch, arrange for after-school tutoring and activities, and to help out in the library. I know Bob worked with Jerry extensively on daily math and reading homework, as well as many extra credit projects. Jerry asked that Bob come to school with Jerry's newest pet lizard to show the class, which Bob did, and Bob also brought Jerry's keyboard so that Jerry could demonstrate the pieces he was learning. Bob is frequently across the hall at our school library before pick-up, assisting our librarian.

Jerry talked and wrote frequently about learning and caring for the many pet lizards he has at his father's, the 'novel' he was writing at home, their trip to Palm Springs and the hike where they found an anthill. Bob frequently visited Jerry and his friends during recess or lunch, and the students appeared happy to see him. Jerry made strong academic progress this year with Bob's participation and support.

Please let me know if I can be of assistance or provide any further information.

Thank you,

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