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*Headmaster*

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## Letter of Recommendation for Troy Evans

Troy Evans spoke at Suffield Academy on April 28, 2011. Suffield is a coeducational, independent school with 400 students in grades 9 through 12. Troy spoke for about an hour to the roughly 500 members of our student body and faculty.

Troy did a fantastic job. He was well prepared, engaging, and very well received. He shared his life story and effectively contributed to our school theme of loyalty.

Troy was convicted of five armed bank robberies during a sixth month span in 1992 and ultimately served seven years in prison. Despite the poor choices he made and the obstacles faced in prison, he persevered by focusing on education and making the right decisions. His talk was very direct and personal, as he told stories about addiction and about some of the United States' most notorious and dangerous correctional facilities. He also told how he bettered himself in jail and how a series of events helped him become the successful person he is today. Troy reminded our community to remember what is important in life and where our loyalties should lie, most specifically with loved ones and family. He further stressed the importance of making good decisions as a teenager and understanding the consequences and impact that such decisions have later in our lives.

I recommend Troy Evans as a speaker with enthusiasm and confidence. He was very effective at our school. If I can be of further assistance please contact me at the number listed above.

Sincerely,

