

#### \$ PROPOSAL FOR SPENDING SAC FUND-RAISING MONEY

Deadline: Tuesday February 20th, 2024

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## 1) Please provide a brief description of the project/program being proposed, including grades of students that will be involved.

- I am proposing that we bring in Unstoppable Tracy Schmitt to speak with our student community across all grades (K-8).
- She is a decorated athlete (para-skiing, world cup sailing, deep sea diving and mountain climbing), international humanitarian (twice nominated for the Ontario Premier's Award for her inclusive volunteer work all over the globe), global consultant, best selling author, motivational speaker and a 4-way amputee
- She could speak to the children about a variety of topics (depending on where we would like her
  to focus): equity, anti-bullying, kindness, making good choices, personal resilience,
  perseverance, and determination
- She usually speaks for 20-60 minutes interactively and then does a Q&A that lasts 30 minutes. She can tailor it to whatever time we would like to have for the different grades (assuming 2x presentations)

#### 2) Please provide details on the problem that currently exists and how the proposed project/program will address it.

- We can ask her to tailor her presentation to align with any, or all our Humbercrest goals (equity, achievement and wellbeing).
- Tracy helps to inspire students and show them that anything is possible.
- She draws on her own examples and experiences to provide valuable lessons for the school communities that she speaks with

## 3) Please describe in detail how the solution being proposed will benefit all Humbercrest students equitably?

- All Humbercrest students will be able to take part in her presentation
- She can tailor her presentation to any age and specific topic
- 4) Please provide examples of other schools/jurisdictions where this project/program has been implemented and its outcomes.

- Tracy is a TDSB partner who has spoken at hundreds of TDSB elementary, middle and secondary schools
- Testimonials:
  - "Tracy's inspiring personal story of how she has overcome barriers & her personal beliefs that anyone can make a difference and is "unstoppable", leaves your students feeling Unstoppable too!" Derek Logan, Principal, Kingsway College School
  - "Many of our kids face pretty big challenges everyday... challenges we can never imagine. Challenges that break our hearts. I think what Tracy offers them is a new perspective. They see her and they think wow... look at what she can do! And I believe that it gives them hope. It gives them hope that one day they too can do amazing things... perhaps things that neither they nor us nor anyone else has dreamt for them up until this point. And seriously... is there anything more important than that? I don't think so." Jodi Albrecht, Principal, Coronation Public School

# 5) How is this project/program in line with the Humbercrest goals in Equity, Achievement and Wellbeing?

- Tracy has spent 30 years inspiring people around the globe and showing them through her actions that anything is possible.
- Students will learn about the importance of inclusivity, diversity and acceptance
- Unstoppable Tracy provides tools for resilience, determination, and ways to affect positive change for everyone around you.
- Her unique perspective as a 4-way amputee inspires all audiences to set goals, persevere through adversity, and do what it takes to achieve success.
- See a short clip (3 minutes) to get an example of the lessons that Tracy can teach our kids:

https://www.facebook.com/dailygoalcast/videos/260840514584526/?v=260840514584526

#### 6) Please provide a schedule that includes details such as sourcing equipment, implementation in the classrooms etc.

 After speaking with Tracy, she feels that the optimal way to present would be in the large gym with two separate presentations to accommodate all the Humbercrest students

#### 7) All Costs ie. GST, PST, Shipping and Handling, and any currency conversion (US\$ to CDN\$)\*

• Her fee is \$1,000 on the TDSB partnership list (she is listed as *Unstoppable Tracy*).

#### 8) Other Important Information

Her website: Unstoppable Tracy: Motivational Speaker, Author, and Decorated Athlete