Our application letter

5th November 2024

Dear Mister Head Teacher Dinca

We hope you're well! We're excited to propose a new after-school program, After School Fashion, designed for everyone in the secondary school who have an interest in fashion, design, and creativity.

In this program, students will learn about fashion design, from sketching ideas to selecting fabrics and creating their own unique styles.

To make it even more inspiring, we'd like to arrange for a professional designer to visit every two months and guide our students with useful advice

The program will finish with a fashion show, giving students a chance to present their creations in front of the whole school. We'll also have roles for those interested in modeling and photography, making it an inclusive event for those who want to be included but not as a creator.

Thank you for considering this proposal, we'd love to go over the details with you at a time that works best.

Yours faithfully, Maja, Leandra and Nahu







Interview

With Paris Madden

We spoke with Paris Madden, a 16-year-old who had participated in an afterschool fashion program. She shared that she had initially signed up out of curiosity, as she had found fashion interesting but had never really considered it as a serious path.

Paris explained that the first sessions had covered basics like sketching, fabric knowledge, and color combinations. She admitted that she had felt a bit overwhelmed at first but had been grateful for the patient instructors who had continuously motivated her. She mentioned that one of her favorite parts had been working on her own project. Paris said that her biggest motivation for her project had been the fashion show, where she would present her unique masterpiece.

Paris recalled that a highlight had been the practical workshops where they had learned to sew, although she admitted it had been challenging at first. She confessed with a smile that she had pricked her fingers many times, but the instructors had encouraged her to keep going. She also mentioned that another highlight had been a designer who visited every two months to help them with their projects. By the end, she had made a stunning dress for herself, which she had presented with pride on the runway.

Overall, Paris's experience in the afterschool fashion program has been transformative. She shared that she had not only learned about fashion but had also grown as a person.

