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To Whom It May Concern;

I am writing to recommend Specialty Underwriters break-fix equipment insurance. The Van Meter School District has participated in the break fix equipment insurance program offered by SU Group for several years. This has allowed the district to free up dollars in the General Fund by utilizing an insurance policy that is paid for out of the Management Fund for expenses such as computer repairs, copier and printer maintenance costs, and HVAC expenses, among other items. This allows the district to use more funds in the General Fund for expenses directly related to student learning.

We have found that equipment is better getting repaired or replaced by having this insurance policy in place, rather than equipment just not being used. The process for claims is relatively simple and we have found that SU is very helpful to work with when we have a question on whether or not something is covered. Jester Insurance and SU have both been willing to come to the district and educate those primary employees using the insurance (i.e. office staff, building and grounds department, IT personnel, etc.) to make sure everyone understands what is covered and how to go about the claims process.

Ultimately, we feel by using this break-fix insurance, we are helping to ensure more dollars are being spent on education and that equipment is better being utilized for district needs.

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