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**From:** Gail Armstrong [gail\_armstrong@rogers.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, November 02, 2007 10:05 AM  
**To:** info@mikeynetwork.com; morty@mikeynetwork.com  
**Subject:** Mikey Network Thank you and TDSB proposed defibrillators

Dear Mr. Henkle & Mikey Network Staff.

First of all, I would like to thank you and the Mikey Network for your donation of a defibrillator. The training we received was also exceptional and quite informative.

Again, thank you so much for this opportunity. I know our soccer fields will be much safer since we will have the equipment to help anyone in need.

As you know our daughter Katie has a life threatening heart condition called ARVD or arrhythmogenic right ventricular dysplasia. Through all our new found resource and knowledge, Heart-Safe programs directed us to your incredible company.

At the beginning of the school year as part of our medical information update, I was talking with Katie's school Principal, Mrs. Jo-anne Weinstein (at Hillmount Public School in North York) and she was interested in finding out more about the these life saving techniques given Katie's heart condition. Of course due to confidentiality issues, I am not aware of any other potential health issues at the school.

I enjoy checking out your website today and noticed the announcement that the Mikey Network is preparing to donate 120 defibrillators to the Toronto District School Board.

This is a wonderful thing.

Perhaps this is quite forward of me and I apologize if it is, but would there be any possibility of Hillmount Public School potentially asking if they could receive one of those defibrillators?

Principal Weinstein and the entire staff have been quite supportive of our family and all of the various requirements we have had to adopt over the last 2 1/2 years since we discovered Katie's rare life threatening heart condition. When I was discussing our EMS/AED site responder training we were receiving from the Mikey Network for defibrillators, she indicated interest in the school staff learning to handle such an emergency should Katie or another student/adult require help of this nature. I told her I would look into it further.

Katie now participates in all the programs at the school, including phys-ed as part of the school curriculum. I know she hopes to also tryout for some of the intramural sports that will be available to her now that she is in grade 4 and able to do so at this time. Katie is an Sick Kid's Hospital Ambassador and now attends checkups every 6 months. She daily takes a Nadalol suspension medicine for her ARVD.

Again, regardless of the outcome, we wish to thank you and the Mikey Network for providing such an incredible opportunity for average people to help people who are at risk and in need of such a life saving miracle.

The work that you do saves lives.

Everyone working at the Mikey Network should be so proud of the work you all accomplish. Bless you all! Please share with all your staff our utmost appreciation and gratitude.

Should you wish to contact Hillmount Public School there number is 416-395-2250.  
Mrs. Weinstein's email address is [jo-anne.weinstein@tdsb.on.ca](mailto:jo-anne.weinstein@tdsb.on.ca)  
I have yet to communicate with her about my email today. It is a school P.A. day.

Again thank you so much.  
Sincerely yours

Gail & Randy Armstrong.  
Hillcrest Village Soccer Club.