

September 22, 2014

Dear Mr. Rockley,

On behalf of the Fine and Performing Arts Department at Morgan State University, I would like to thank you for selecting our school to create a partnership with the Rockley Foundation. When you first approached us with your proposal, it sounded too good to be true. We have been thrilled throughout the process and feel very fortunate.

The sixteen new digital keyboards in our piano lab have made a huge difference to the class piano students and instructor. Our old equipment was outdated and some keyboards did not work properly. The new keyboards are excellent and mimic the sound and feel of an acoustic piano very closely. The new piano donated to the choir room has a vibrant, resonant sound and is the favorite of the first batch (see picture below). We have especially noticed the impact of the five pianos that we placed in our practice rooms: the high quality of the instruments have inspired our students to practice at a higher level. In order to protect your donations, we installed swipe card readers on each practice room door.

We are really looking forward to the string and wind instruments in the upcoming years. The music theory and ear training software will also be a tremendous help for students and their academic studies; our instructors are excited to incorporate them into their classes.

Thank you so much for including us in the Rockley Foundation's ambitious mission. We are very lucky to benefit from your generosity and vision.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Bruning, D.M.A.

Associate Professor of Music and Coordinator of

Keyboard Studies

Morgan State University—Fine and Performing

Arts Department

1700 E. Cold Spring Lane

Baltimore, MD 21251 Phone: (443) 885-3570

Email: Stephanie.bruning@morgan.edu

