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Dear Mr. LeCesne,

Thank you for providing me with the opportunity to work with your incredible students and staff as you shape the minds and hearts of those incredible students in your Emerging Scholars Program. As someone who works with students, schools, parental organizations, and various educational non-profits organizations across the country, I am well versed and aware of positive, productive, and effective programs. The Emerging Scholars Program (ESP) is a wonderful example of the right way to teach, challenge, develop, and empower young people for educational and long term life success.

There are so many things about your program that I witnessed and liked, but a few truly stand out. First, the focus, consistent commitment, and usage of personal responsibility, respect, and manners are invaluable tools that will benefit them in every capacity of their life. The love, nurturing, and high expectations led by the staff helps the students raise their own expectations of themselves and each other. The structure (two-year format with academic and personal skills taught and reinforced over that period before they enter a new school) provides ample opportunity for kids to learn, develop, then own the lessons for themselves after experiencing positive results from actual implementation in their lives after year one.

In general, I have two core beliefs when it comes to students:

1. Every student deserves a chance to be great.
2. With the proper training, tools, time, and effort, any student can learn.

The Emerging Scholars Programs is a clear illustration of both. ESP is giving these kids a chance to find and develop the skills to help them achieve greatness while providing them with the training and tools necessary to not only succeed in school, but to thrive in life!

Sincerely yours,

Thomas Roberts