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Dear Frank and Ellen Svitek,

On behalf of the staff and students of Parkway NW High School for Peace and Social Justice, we thank you for giving us the opportunity to take students on a trip to Fellowship Farm where they participated in outdoor adventure-based team-building and trust building activities, as well as an environmental service project. It was an amazing adventure for all of us, staff chaperones included.

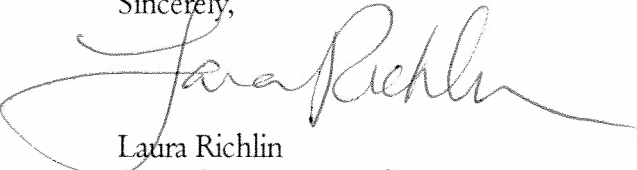
Most of the students who participated have been involved in service learning projects in the city. These projects included creating a recycling program for the school, learning about conservation efforts in construction and building technologies, investigating the latest theories and practices in home energy efficiency, exploring latest vehicle technologies to save energy.

It is a rare and wonderful experience to be able to take urban teenagers outside of their comfort zones and allow them to gain awareness of themselves, their peers and the beauty of nature. Please take the time to read the enclosed reflections written by the participants at the end of our stay at Fellowship Farm. Students were asked to reflect on any of the following leads: One thing they enjoyed, highlights of their experience, something they learned about themselves, and/or why other teens should have this kind of opportunity.

Also enclosed is copy of an article we submitted to local newspapers and photos documenting our adventure. The students had as much fun reliving the experience while sharing the pictures. The most frequent comments were, "Can you believe we did that?" and "When can we go again?"

Thank you again for your good work.

Sincerely,


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