



ACCESS

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Alternative, Community, and Correctional Education Schools and Services

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Dear Kathleen,

I would like to take a moment to thank you for providing my class with the opportunity to be involved with the Literacy Project Foundation. The fact that this opportunity is provided free, given the current budget climate, is amazing! As you know, the students I teach lack many of the most basic phonics, grammar, and reading skills. We often enroll students in the 2nd, 3rd, even up to the 6th grade that are not able to read! The individualized skill building, in one-on-one and small group settings, engages the students in a way that traditional lessons do not. The speed at which the students gain skill and their retention of the skills is greatly enhanced because they are having so much fun while learning. I think one the most valuable aspects of the program is that it allows students of different ages but similar skill levels to build their skills without the stigma of being in "leveled groups."

It is an excellent program, and we're grateful to be involved!

Sincerely,

Marcus Gunther

Teacher

(Group home classroom servicing ages 5-13)