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Mr. Larry Bell 12689 Crossbow Drive Manassas, Virginia 20112

Reactions To My Keynotes and National Presentations

Dear Mr. Bell:

In all of the years I have been a part of the opening of school, I have never heard such an overwhelmingly positive response for an opening program. So many teachers and other staff members have come to me to say that they really appreciated beginning the year with this wonderfully uplifting message from you. The staff left with a challenge to have high expectations of all children and a desire to be there for our children.

On a personal level, I cannot find adequate words to express my thanks. Your true dedication to children is evident in your message. Thank you for sharing it with us.

We do have staff members who are interested in CD's and/or cassettes with your messages. Please let Betsy Duncan or me know if and when these will be available for purchase.

Again, thank you for your inspiring message. You truly will make the difference in the lives of many children by sharing your message with teachers and others. I know our students are the beneficiaries of the renewed spirits of our staff.

Sincerely,

Dr. Julie A. Strickland Assistant Superintendent