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Dear Ms. Herbert,

We were very saddened to hear about the departure of Mr. Rob Clarke in 5B. Your letter did not seem to describe the importance of his presence at ACS. He has been an incredible presence in my son Joshua's life and the work he has done for the children of 5B should be highly recognized. He has been a friend as well as a mentor to these kids and I see such amazing confidence in them as they become more independent learners and conscientious students. I credit much of my son's progress this year to having such a wonderful man in his life.

The valuable lesson in life this will bring to these students should also be looked at. Although it may be painful and difficult for some, it teaches us much about the impermanence of things all around us and that sometimes in order to reach for our dreams we must make really difficult decisions. I honor Mr. Clarke in his ability to reach for the stars and for leaving our children with the vision that they, too can attain those goals in their lives. I am thankful for the time that we did have with him and that my son has made a friend for life in a man with integrity and depth.

I am sure that Ms. Hudson will also be an asset to the class and we look forward to welcoming her. Change and transition is never easy, but we gain so much in the process.

Sincerely,

Meghan Halverson

