

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

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Dear Students:

Thank you for writing me. I appreciate your taking the time to share your thoughts.

Your ideas are important to me, and your generation will play an important role in shaping our country's future. With a commitment to your studies and to serving your community, there is no limit to the impact you can have on the world around you.

In America, each of us can write our own destiny. We all have our own gifts to discover, and we can overcome challenges when we put in our best effort, ask for help, and try again when success does not come easily at first.

So long as you are willing to dream big and work hard, you can accomplish great things and help others to do the same. I encourage you to aim for excellence in everything you do, and to always seek out new challenges.

Young people like you inspire me and give me tremendous hope for the future. Thank you, again, for being in touch. I wish you all the best.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be Barack Obama's signature, written in a cursive style.