Dear Mr. President Teacher Materials

Dear Teacher,

Thank you for participating in IKEducation's civics education lesson, Dear Mr. President!

This packet includes copies of actual letters sent to President Eisenhower. Copies can be made for students to use during the program. We will be analyzing them and discussing the students' ideas.

If you are interested in having your students write letters to the president, follow the enclosed guidelines from www.whitehouse.gov. Many of our previous participants have received responses from the White House please let us know if your students receive a response as well!

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Thank you again for allowing us to teach your students today! Please let us know how we can continue to be a resource for you and your classroom.

Sincerely, The IKEducation Team Eisenhower Foundation



How You Can Write or Call the White House

Call the White House

PHONE NUMBERS

Comments: 202-456-1111 Switchboard: 202-456-1414

TTY/TTD

Comments: 202-456-6213

Send a letter to the White House

Here are a few simple things you can do to make sure your correspondence gets to the White House as quickly as possible.

- If possible, email us! This is the fastest way to reach the White House.
- If you write a letter, please consider typing it on an 8 1/2 by 11 inch sheet of paper.
- If you hand-write your letter, please write as neatly as possible with an ink pen.
- Include your return address on your letter as well as on your envelope. If you have an email address, please share it with us too.
- And finally, please be sure to write on the outside of your mailing envelope the complete address for the White House to make sure your letter gets to us as quickly and directly as possible:

The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Washington, DC 20500

Sending Gifts

The President and the First Lady strongly encourage all Americans to consider making contributions to their favorite charities in lieu of gifts to the First Family. And, please note, the White House is unable to accept cash, checks, bonds, gift certificates, foreign currency, or other monetary equivalents.

For security reasons, please do not send perishable gifts — such as food, liquids, or flowers — to the White House. Additionally, the delivery of items sent to the White House is often significantly delayed, and enclosed items may be damaged during the security screening process. Because of this, items of personal importance, such as family photographs, should not be sent and cannot be returned.

We look forward to hearing from you!



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Dear Mr. President,

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1016 North Custer March 8, 1959 Wichita 12, Kansas Dear Mr. President, I am Phyllis anne Barnes and I am in the fourth grade at Jessie Hunter Black School, I have heard lots of people complain about our country and goverment. So am writing this to tell you how much love my country like the beautiful mountains, starms, parks, lakes of Minnasota, big trees in yosemite, grand cayon, Indians of new mexico and arizona, the wide open pravies of my own home state of Hanson. I also like the smooth wide highwards that are takes helped pay for and it is because of this we pay taxes. So at our house we do not mind passing tares, and also like the privelage of choosing may own Sundary School, friends, pets,

to shows, food and clothes It sure makes me feel good inside when I hear the Star Spangled Banner, and when hear you talk. I can hardly wait to see our new flag. It sure does make me feel safe when see the big bombers go over our house. pray at night that we never have to use them. think you are a very nice President. My daddy said that any one that wanted to could write to the President so Dam, to thank you for what you are doing for us. Phyllis anne Barnes

Dear Mr. President,

I am Phyllis Anne Barnes and I am in the fourth grade at Jessie Hunter Black School.

I have heard lots of people complain about our country and government. So I am writing this to tell you how much I love my country. I like the beautiful mountains, streams, parks, lakes of Minnesota, big trees in Yosemite, grand canyon, Indians of New Mexico and Arizona, the wide open praries of my own home state of Kansas. I also like the smooth wide highways that our taxes helped pay for. And it is because of this we pay taxes. So at our house we do not mind paying taxes. And I also like the privilege of choosing my own Sunday School, friends, pets, tv shows, food and clothes. It sure makes me feel good inside when I hear the Star Spangled Banner, and when I hear you talk. I can hardly wait to see our new flag. It sure does make me feel safe when I see the big bombers go over our house. I pray at night that we never have to use them.

I think you are a very nice President. My daddy said that any one that wanted to could write to the President so I am, to thank you for what you are doing for us.

Sincerely yours,

Phyllis Anne Barnes

DEAR MR. PRESIdENT, OUR SCHOOL IS OUT. I got PERFECT REPORT. IWANT TO THANK You FOR MY 2 POLIOSHOTS, Mother SAYS SHE TRUSTS YOU WITH G CAPITAL T. US 5 KIDS FRAY FOR YOU EVERY Night. Donald is Just 3 and he Puts you in with our dear BLACK SAMBO-Cat who is Lost. I WILL be 7 Aug. 12. NAW FUL LOT OF FOLKS LUL YOUR FRIEND 4th Trial. (under 16)

Dear Mr. President,

Our school is out. I got a perfect report. I want to thank you for my 2 polio shots. Mother says she trusts you with a capital T. Us 5 kids pray for you every night. Donald is just 3 and he puts you in with our dear black Sambo-cat who is lost.

I will be 7 Aug. 12.

A nawful lot of folks love you.

Your friend Linda Hay

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Dec. 21, 1958

Dear Mr. President,

I don't think it is fair to make children go to school all year. The only fair way to decide if school should be all year is to have every child who goes to school in this country and the parents and teachers vote.

Suppose you had school all year and every teacher did not like the idea and they quit. Then there would be nobody to teach us. The teachers and children should be with there fambly for 2 months.

Sincerely, Steven Levy