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Dear Students of Concord High School,

As you well know, the nation and the world shared with you the tragic loss of Christa McAuliffe. We are working with a number of countries in the InterCultural Learning Network, which connects students in different countries together in a computer network of activities. Mexico sent us the following message and asked that we forward it on to you. The loss we all feel is deep but the inspiration she provides can help all of us carry her in our hearts in just the way she was carrying us on her field trip in to space.

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TO: THE PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES, AND SPECIALLY THE PUPILS OF
MISS C. McAULIFFE—AND OF COURSE,— ALSO THE PROUD FAMILIES OF THE
OTHER MEMBERS OF THE CREW IN THE CHALLENGER.
FROM: ACADEMIA COMERCIAL "RA-SAL", TIJUANA, MEXICO.

FOR ALL THE STUDENTS IN OUR SCHOOL IT WAS A VERY HEARTBREAKING NEWS.
WE ARE VERY SORRY OF WHAT HAS HAPPENED, BUT AS THEY SAY IN SHOW BUSINESS:
"THE SHOW MUST GO ON". WE KNOW THAT WAS BETTER EXPRESSED IN THE SPEECH
GIVEN BY MR. REAGAN. YES, WE KNOW WE HAVE TO PAY A PRICE FOR EVERYTHING... IT
COULD HAVE BEEN DR. NERI VELA, THE MEXICAN WHO WAS A PARTICIPANT IN ONE
OF THE LAST FLIGHTS....BUT, OF COURSE, THAT IS NO CONFORT FOR THE FAMILIES
OF THE VALUABLE PEOPLE YOU HAVE LOST.... ALL WE CAN SAY NOW IS...
'LO SENTIMOS MUCHO, A M I G O S, PERO.... !!ADELANTE!!!
RAUL SALDANA GONZALEZ, DIRECTOR.-29-I-86-TIJUANA, MEXICO.

ATTENTION TO THE ICN!!

WE, AT 'RA-SAL' WISH YOU COULD FORWARD THIS MESSAGE TO THE SCHOOL
WHERE MISS McAuliffe WAS A TEACHER... WE WANT HER STUDENTS TO KNOW THAT
WE, EVEN THOUGH WE ARE CITIZENS OF ANOTHER COUNTRY, WE FEEL VERY PROUD
OF "THEIR" TEACHER... (MISS McAuliffe's husband and children deserve
much... much more....) Raul & Luly. THANK YOU.