GRAYMONT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
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Students of Mrs. Sharon Christa McAuliffe
c/o Mr. Charles Foley, Principal
Concord High School
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

Dear Students:

We, the students of Graymont Elementary School, are deeply saddened by the tragic death of your teacher, Mrs. Sharon Christa McAuliffe. We are sure that she was and will always be very special to you. We also share in your grief and extend to you our deepest and sincerest sympathy.

In the past the American Spirit has always spurred us to press forward. Mrs. McAuliffe truly exemplified this spirit. In the future we must join her in demonstrating this spirit. We encourage you to embrace the future with great expectations and determination.

We must realize that science has many successes and failures. Failures are the basis of new dreams and challenges.

We know how proud you are to have the first teacher in space. We pray that God will give you strength and courage for the days ahead. Our prayers are with you.

Sincerely,
Laterria Thomas
Laterria, Thomas, Eighth Grade Class President
Ericka Hunter
Ericka Hunter, Seventh Grade Class President
Tameka Samuels
Tameka Samuels, Sixth Grade Class President