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Grade 9

Dear Mr. Secretary,

My name is Jen Berner, and I am writing this letter about my English teacher Mrs. Karen Patterson. Mrs. Patterson is helping me achieve my American dream by helping me to become a better student. I have always had problems with reading, this year Mrs. Patterson has helped me to get over my fear of reading aloud, and asking questions, and understanding what I read.

I want to be a nurse when I graduate from college and Mrs. Patterson is giving me the tools I need to be successful. Mrs. Patterson has changed the way I feel about school and has made this year seem like I can do anything. I have been a student who has received services my whole life and Mrs. Patterson has helped me become a student who hid in class so I didn't get called on, to a student who can reach for the stars and achieve my dreams even with a learning disability.

Mrs. Patterson doesn't just do this for me; every student who walks through her door is treated with respect and love, because that is what she shows us. I know that I can be successful in life, because I have a teacher who has changed me forever. Mrs. Patterson became a teacher so that all of her students can achieve the American Dream. To have a teacher, who can make you laugh, smile, and enjoy literature like she does, makes her a winner. I really hope you select her for this award.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Berner