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Dear Revenue Committee Member,

My Arthur Academy education is important to me because it teaches me skills I will need in my later life, students are able to learn at their own pace, and everyone knows everyone because we have been in the same class since sixth grade.

We are taught skills that we use now and can use later in our lives. I find myself using new words that I was just previously taught. Our comprehension lessons help us make deductions about some of the everyday problems we have. If we weren't learning these skills now we might be under prepared for high school.

Some students are slower than others at learning new subjects. If for example, a student is struggling in a math group, then that student would be moved down to the appropriate group. It's the same way the other way around. If a student isn't being challenged, they will be moved up to a higher more challenging math group. When we do lessons the teachers stop and explain, instead of just moving on if you do not get a part. These methods make kids smarter.

Almost my whole class has known each other since sixth grade or younger. We all came together and were instantly friends. There is little drama and we can focus on our school work and other responsibilities. Being in eighth grade, we are supposed to set examples for the younger students. This is easier when they see us as friends.

Arthur Academy is very important to my education. I may not have gotten my usual awesome grades if I were being taught in