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Dear Students of 2037 Franklin Township School,

However this school may be in the future, it is amazing now. Since it is a small school, everyone knows each other well, making each grade feel like family. All the teachers have a good spirit and personalities. This is definitely the best school in Hunterdon County.

You probably think I am exaggerating, so here is why Franklin Township School is truly the best school. There is so much to like about this school. Everyone in their own grade fits together like their own puzzle. The teachers have great spirit and personalities. It's fun because I look back and realize how much I loved each teacher. Dr. Kramer, my 5th grade teacher, has a piano in his classroom! How often do you find that? Every morning, we sing old songs like "Mrs. Murphy's Chowder," "The Cason Song," and "When Johnny Comes Marching Home." It's a joy because everyone helps to make each other smile. I enjoy starting my day singing. We get some jokes from the teachers. One of my classmates makes noises, and he happened to do it when we were learning about the crazy Mayas. This student was making bizarre noises and Dr. Kramer said, "Looks like we got ourselves a Mayan." Everyone giggled.

When I think of the future, I imagine magical things compared to today's technologies. Some of my thoughts are things like car-planes to fly over traffic and hovercrafts to replace wheelchairs. Hovercrafts would allow hurt students to go upstairs. Compared to all that glitz and glamour, Franklin Township School today is very simple. Our high-tech things are iPads, SmartBoards, and laptops. Today, our textbooks are on our iPads, which is very futuristic compared to years ago. You may have desks with plexiglass as a whiteboard that turns into a giant computer screen holding your lessons. Your textbooks would still be *in* your desk, but in a different way. Words will come out of your mind onto computers without typing. And, since all of your things are technology, you wouldn't have a messy desk with papers and ripped paper folders. I wish I had that technology! Another futuristic add-on you may have is what I call OYPGSG which stands for On Your Plate Goes Something Great. We all know that in movies the school lunches are horrible, mushy, disgusting messes. That can be true. Here, the lunches are good, but it's not a gourmet steak with the side of baked potatoes, asparagus, and bok choy. Yum! But if Franklin doesn't serve that when you're around, you have the OYPGSG! What you would do is grab your microchip, put it into a cash

register where a credit card could go, and a bunch of different meal choices would come up. You would chose your meal and head to the tables to feast. That would give you all the energy needed for the classes following.

So, the school will probably change, and possibly grow, but as long as you get at least one laugh, memory, or friend, that is what makes this school special. I am the type who takes in moments to remember, because you are only here once. I have memories, friends, and good times that I will never forget even if the school completely changes.

Sincerely from 2015, Lauren Salemo Grade 5: Dr. Kramer's Class Franklin Township School Quakertown, New Jersey

P.S. I wonder what you think is old fashioned? Will it be the chalkboard? I hope you still have swings!