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VR Quest
Mr. Warren L. Black
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Dear Mr. Black,

I write to thank you and congratulate you on the ongoing success of your VR Quest program. I know firsthand that your program has had a positive impact on students in schools across Staten Island and beyond. It has been expressed to me that you have tapped into an innovative, hands on approach to bringing STEM-based education into the classroom. By giving young students the ability to research, design, and build video games, you have allowed hundreds of students to experience aspects of these games that go far beyond just playing a game. They truly come to see video games in a completely different way.

The virtual reality aspect to the gaming system helps bring to life the history and science lessons that students research at the start of each project. While preparing for and designing their missions, they are tasked with understanding the historical or scientific facts behind their given mission. This helps them to delve deep into the many aspects that must go into creating a fun, engaging, and accurate game.

I am especially pleased to know that teachers and students have enthusiastically embraced this technology. Again, thank you for your efforts to engage today's youth. I appreciate and value your work.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Andrew Lanza". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

ANDREW J. LANZA
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