



Dear _____,

I am writing to tell you about my school, Collinswood Language Academy. It is a great place to learn and grow!

At Collinswood, we learn in English and Spanish. By the time we graduate after eighth grade, we are fluent in two languages! We were the first dual language school in North Carolina and we are a national model of excellence in public education. Last year, we hosted more than 100 visitors from across the country who wanted to learn about our program and our strategies for success.

We are one of the few schools nationwide that has been able to come close to closing the achievement gap among racial and socio-economic groups. Not only are our state test scores much higher than the district and state averages, but we have been successful with challenging our minority, English-as-a-second-language and special-needs populations.

Unfortunately, our school district is unable to provide all of the supplies and resources our teachers need. The PTA funds those resources by raising money each year through our **Invest In Collinswood** campaign. All of the money raised goes directly into our school, covering things such as technology and classroom supplies, bilingual and biliterate teacher training, staff appreciation, and subsidizing field trips so that everyone can participate. The best thing about Invest is that **100% of the money raised stays at Collinswood.**

Would you consider making a 100% tax-deductible contribution? Every gift, *no matter the size*, is an important part of our Invest campaign and is greatly appreciated by the students, teachers and staff of Collinswood. To donate, send a check made payable to the Collinswood PTA to the address below. Note *Invest-In-Collinswood* in the memo.

Collinswood Language Academy PTA
Attention: Invest In Collinswood Campaign
4000 Applegate Road
Charlotte, NC 28209

We will mail you a tax receipt once your donation is received. If you have any questions, please contact our Invest-In-Collinswood chair Sherry Sample at sherrysamplecr@gmail.com .

Thank you so much for supporting my school and my education!

Love,