Honorable Mention, 2012 Dear George Washington Contest Trevor Sanders, Third Grade Puesta del Sol Elementary School

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Dear Mr. George Washington, President of the United States:

My name is Trevor Ryan Sanders and I am 8 years old. I live in the state of New York. I am a very smart boy and I would like to know if you have any plans to start schools for children like me while you are President.

I believe that schools are needed. We are going to being to move our great country forward in many wonderful ways and educating children is going to be important.

When I grow up I want to be a doctor and help sick children get better. I will need to know how to read and write and many other things. The only way I can learn all of these important things is by going to school. My parents don't know how to read and it is very hard for them. I want to learn how to read so that I can teach them how to read. I think that even if only one child in each family can get a chance to go to school, that would help the whole family. That child could go home and help teach the others what they have learned.

My dream would be to see a school in every town in the United States. I believe that there are many children just like me who have the same dream. I also believe that there are many adults in our great country that want to help however they can to see this happen.

Mr. President, if you decide to work on this while you are in office, you will see great things happen in our country. I hope you will make this your dream as well.

Sincerely yours,

Trevor Sanders, 8 years old New York, USA