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Dear Bill,

Thank you for inviting David Sonner and myself to your meeting regarding the Pathways program at Mt San Antonio College. The dramatic increase in the passing percentages was very gratifying and has shown to me that our funding of the program was money well spent. In addition, I found the meeting exciting and stimulating as I could sense the passion and enthusiasm from the administrators, instructors and most importantly, the students.

After reading the numerous thank you letters written by those students in the program, it has become apparent to me that your administrators and faculty are probably more deserving of these letters than me. Without their vision and their hard work, this program would not have been able to achieve these impressive results. I have summarized a few excerpts from the letters and ask that you forward this letter to those involved so they can share in the thank you notes.

"Thank you for funding this learning community class. It may not seem like a lot to the outsiders who don't really know what it stands for but to those who are in the class, we are grateful. LCOM has really helped me grow as a person and has taught me that my peers are willing to help me whenever I am in need. I've learned skills that have helped me improve my math skills and has helped to ensure that I have a strong foundation in order to succeed in higher math courses."

"I am really glad this world has people like you who care for others and that help means a better education for us. The motivation we get in our LCOM class plays a huge role in our math class, other classes and LIFE".

"I am very grateful for this program because it opened a door of opportunity to stay ahead and to not fall back. Without the linked math classes and LCOM classes, I would feel discouraged and overwhelmed right now."

"Thank you for making this pathway class possible and giving me the opportunity to be encouraged and be motivated to continue on my path to my career."

"This is my first semester back in school after a break and this class has truly made a difference. I'm currently getting all A's and meeting all of my goals and it's due greatly in part to professors like Larry Silva and people like you. I can go on and on about the ways LCOM has changed my life but I'll leave you with a**"THANK YOU."**

My final comment is to your faculty members who have direct contact with the students in the program. Please inform those students who wrote those thank you notes that their letters represent a confirmation that:

"Success in life is not determined by the harvest you reap
but is measured by the seeds that you plant."

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gary Chow". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Gary" and last name "Chow" clearly distinguishable.

Gary Chow
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