Dear Mentors,

Thanks so much for your dedication to our student mentees. As the end of your year-long commitment approaches we want to recognize you for persevering, volunteering your time, connecting with kids, chasing down your mentee at times, treating them to special things and for being an overall positive influence in their lives.

Although you may or may not have noticed a change in your mentee over the past year research shows that students mentored for a year benefit from the relationship. Some of those benefits include:

- enhanced academic motivation and achievement
- improved school attendance
- stronger communication skills at school and at home
- improved attitude toward school and the future
- reduced likelihood of violence and drug use

And when the relationship lasts 18 months or longer the benefits stay with them into adulthood.

Please consider renewing your commitment as a mentor!

Return this to me by____________________. Thanks!

☐ I will keep mentoring my current student until s/he graduates.

☐ I will keep mentoring my current student until the end of this school year.

☐ I will keep mentoring my current student until the end of this school year but I would like you to talk to him/her about recommitting also.

☐ I would like to keep mentoring but would like to be matched with a different student.

☐ I would like to stop mentoring and would like ideas on closure.

Comments/Concerns:_____________________________________________________________

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