The Bridge Academy
401 Kossuth St

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To whom it may concern,

My name is Lais Lima, I am a currently a student at the Bridge Academy, class of 2012. I am pleased to be here representing my school. I have been attending Bridge for almost five years, since eight grade.

Bridge Academy is a small school. Its great because I got to know my teachers and it is not so great because I got to know my teachers. There is no hiding in the back of the classroom. There's also no hiding from Mr. Dutton, he just yells your name down the hall and you know your in trouble. But, that's something that large public schools can't offer its students. That close-nit family atmosphere where the teachers can tailor their lessons to the student and where the friends you make are the ones that help you get through the day.

It's because of Bridge that I am spending my senior year rejoicing as I receive college acceptances. I am the first generation in my family to attend college. It's all because my school's special attention to the senior class during the college application process. My teachers encouraged me all the way through it.

As I get ready for college in the fall I know I will miss my tiny school, with my attentive teachers and the great friends that I have made these years. I hope that Bridge continues making a difference in the lives of inner city kids. Although Bridge didn't have all the funds needed to provide me with gym class every year, a volleyball team to play on or AP classes, they did a great job in giving me a full education. But I know that they can do so much more if only they had the right resources.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank my school and my teachers for the time and dedication that they put towards my studies.

Sincerely,
Lais Lima