

**Manchester Teachers' Association  
Manchester, MA 01944-1151  
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Dear Joe,

On behalf of all the teachers and support personnel of the Manchester Public Schools, I would like to thank you for your effort and commitment to preserving our ability to offer a superior education to all of our students. Like you, I believe that this vote was a critical one. It came at the worst possible time and it risked the viability of our programs.

The support that you and all of your committee provided was absolutely instrumental in the success of the vote, and the eventual outcome only confirmed that each increment of effort was a real contribution. But above the "win" on the issue, I want to thank you for picking up the level of enthusiasm and spirit among the battle weary troops. Everyone who came into contact with you came away with the feeling that we would succeed, and that in our corner we had the best support available.

I hope that your involvement on this issue is only the beginning of a long and pleasant association. You are the type of community minded individual who inspires pride and excellence, and we were overjoyed to have your support. We return to our work with renewed vigor and enthusiasm. Thanks for being there when we needed you.

Sincerely,



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President, MTA