“Dear Mr. Grayson,

I wanted to let you know how much of an impact you made while you were my 8th grade teacher. You taught me how to persevere when I was struggling with my course load, and how to exceed even my own expectations. With your help, I started to explore other possibilities and opportunities. Without all your care and attention I never would have found the confidence to move forward and find my passion in (activity). Thank you for everything you’ve done!

Sincerely,

Adam Denning”