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Dear Friends of the BTU Pilot School,

As we enter the holiday season, we are thankful to our scholars for their dedication, enthusiasm, and hard work since the start of this school year and to you for playing such an integral role in their success.

The support and generosity of the BTU community have been critical to provide our scholars with unique and effective educational opportunities that enhance their academic experience and complement the classroom learning they receive from BTU's dedicated faculty and staff. We hope we can count on your generosity again and ask that you consider investing in our school by making a gift towards our fundraising campaign to help fund these partnerships.

Below are a few important programs made possible thanks to the support of the BTU community:

- **826 Boston Writer's Room:** scholars and mentors work side by side to explore the creative process, improving writing skills, and foster creative self-expression;
- **Apprentice Learning:** upper class scholars take on internship roles at local businesses in a cross section of industries to gain real-world experience and build confidence;
- **Green City Growers:** mentors introduce students to gardening and what it takes to turn a little seed into the food they eat, while educating them about how to make healthy choices in their everyday lives;
- **Urban Improv:** through teamwork-and empathy-building activities, visiting artists teach scholars how to define, defend, and demonstrate what a healthy community looks like;
- **The Home for Little Wanderers:** a dedicated social worker is in our school to provide emotional support and crisis intervention, while cultivating a culture of respect and understanding;
- **Field trips:** we explore our city and enhance our curriculum by offering hands-on learning experiences that are exciting, engaging, and fun!

In addition, your support provides the flexible funding necessary to **ensure that all our scholars have the school supplies and essentials** they need to succeed and thrive.

To donate, please visit btuschool.com/donate. If you have questions or would like to discuss other ways to lend support, please reach out to us. We deeply appreciate your continued generosity and your contribution, regardless of the amount, will have a lasting impact on the lives of our students and their futures.

Thank you for your kind consideration and for being an essential part of our BTU community.

With sincere gratitude,

Jerry Pisani
Governing Board Co-Chair and Teacher

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