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Dear Ms. Snell:

As this semester comes to an end, I want to say thank you for everything. I cannot express in sheer words everything that I learned this semester and how appreciative I am for you as my student teaching mentor. I am grateful for this experience and everything that you taught me. My eyes were truly opened this semester, and I have come such a long way. The first few weeks here I had many doubts if I could or even should do this, and because of you I have made it through. Your help and feedback has been invaluable. I do not think I would have learned as much in another placement as I have here. You have a way with the students that I admire, and I have learned how to be more patient, to step back and look at the whole picture, and to start each class period and each day with a clean slate. I have learned how to better manage a classroom, the little things to account for, which battles to fight, which battles to leave for another day, and how to connect with the students at their level. I have learned the importance of structure and the difference between teaching middle school and high school mathematics including the development levels of the students, and that I need to be more cognizant of difference. I could go on and on with what I have learned, but these just name a few. I really just want you to know that I am truly thankful for everything this semester and that I will miss coming to your classroom every day. It was truly my pleasure and I hope to keep in touch in the future.

Best wishes to you in the future in teaching and in life.

Sincerely,

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