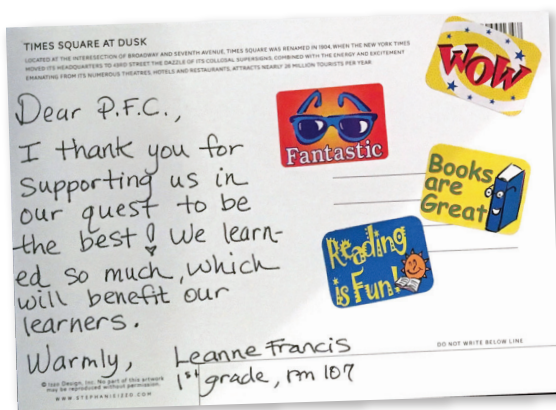


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Columbia University Teachers College **READING INSTITUTE**

This summer, funded by donations to the Annual Giving Campaign, five Harvey Milk teachers attended the prestigious Reading Institute at Teachers College. Working with teachers from across the country, they studied teaching methods, planned curricula, and honed their teaching skills. Their knowledge has enriched our classrooms and will help all Harvey Milk students on their path to rich and literate lives.



"After 20 years being a teacher I am still excited to learn new things and improve my practice. Going to Columbia University and learning at Teachers College was the best professional experience of my teaching career. I feel so much gratitude for the PFC's investment in their teachers and the students of HMCRA"

- Ms. Francis, 1st grade



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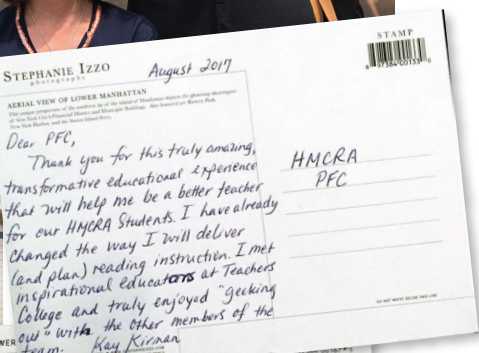


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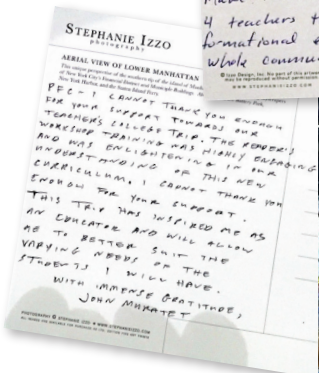
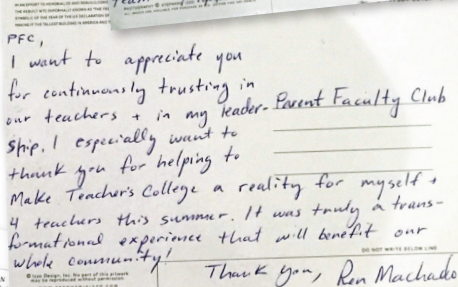
"The institute was inspiring! It made me so excited to get back and teach reading and writing. The week was very informative and hands-on. I felt that I gained so much knowledge. We are continuing to share the wealth of information during staff professional development meetings. I now feel more confident in my abilities to help each individual in my classroom grow in reading."

- Ms. Reynolds-McCarty, 2nd grade



"The Reading Institute was not only highly informative but also inspiring as an educator. I learned how to teach reading so that each student's individual needs are being met, but more importantly, how to create students who enjoy reading enough to become life-long readers."

- Mr. Muratet, 4th/5th grade



"As a school leader, attending the Columbia University Teachers College Reading Institute allowed me to gain the knowledge needed to help our staff develop our instruction in reading. It was also important to me that our team of teachers had the opportunity to attend such a renowned university and program and be treated like the professionals that they are. Not only did we learn a great amount, but we strengthened our bond as a school team."

- Mr. Machado, Principal



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