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Dear Dr. Lederberg —

This note will acknowledge with thanks the biographical materials you sent me on Dr. Tatum and yourself.

Although I am now retired, and out of the N.Y.C. school system for 12 years, my chest still swells with pride whenever I hear of the achievements in science by people who came out of the city system. Thus I am proud of Arthur Kornberg who came out of Abraham Lincoln H.S. (where I was chairman of the biology department from 1949-1968) I am proud of Dr. Yalow who came out of Walton H.S. where I taught biology from 1937-1945 And I am proud of the people like yourself who came out of Stuyvesant H.S (where I was never privileged to teach).

High School Teacher & mentor

I regret that although many of my own students have made their marks in the biological fields, none of them achieved Nobel Prize Status The one that is closest to it is Norton Zinder who was in my biology class at the Bronx H.S of

Science, where I taught from 1943-1949.
However, Norton Zinder has a bone to pick with me, because I gave him a final grade in biology of only 90%. I don't think he will ever forgive me.

Well, thanks again for your courtesy — and of course — best wishes for success in your present position

Sincerely yours,

Philip Goldstein