

Congratulations to our Graduates!

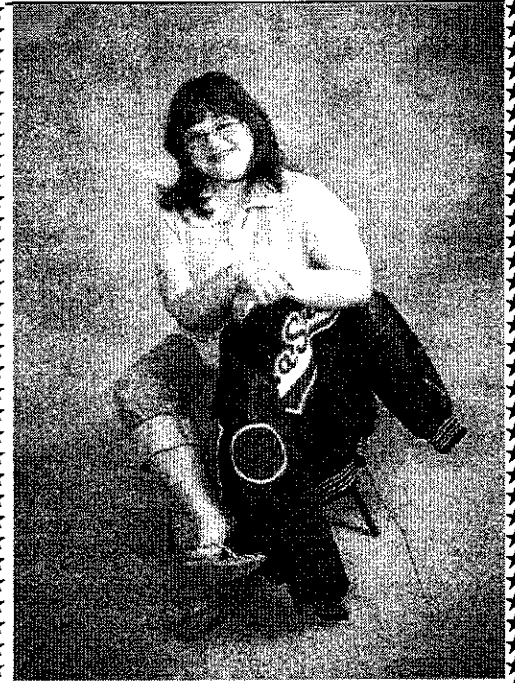
Dear Mrs. LaSala,

I have been so blessed to have your beautiful daughter for the last three years. She has been a light on dark days, a joy to be around, and an amazing young lady. I appreciate your support over the past few years and working with me as I worked out the kinks of being a new teacher. Students like Nicole are the reason that we keep teaching. It has been an honor to have her, and I treasure our friendship so much.

I wanted you to know that no matter what people tell you about having a child with Down Syndrome, her attitude and drive prove to all of us that she can do more than people tell her. Every time you feel like you're struggling, I want you to know that I appreciate this opportunity that I've been given, and my life is different because I got to teach and become friends with your daughter.

I wrote each of my students a poem. The poem is attached for you to read.

Mrs. Warren



Nicole LaSala
2010 Graduate
Fort Bend Austin High School
Daughter of
Carl & Annette LaSala

Nicole

You are strong-willed and lovable.
You wonder if you could be in the next High School Musical.
You hear people telling you that you are wonderful -
and you ARE.
You see a bright future.
You want to make everyone happy - and you DO.
You are strong-willed and lovable.
You pretend like you can't hear me, but you CAN!
You feel like you can do anything - and you CAN!
You touch my life every day when I see your sweet face.
You worry about your grades.
You cry when things get tough.
You are strong-willed and lovable.
You understand more than people ever thought you would.
You say, "Thank you," and you mean it.
You dream of being famous.
You try every sport you can.
You hope to make a difference -
and you HAVE and you WILL.
You are strong-willed and lovable.