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Mr. Allen Kullen
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Dear Allen:

I am pleased to inform you that Pittsburgh's Americans All teachers are still actively using the Americans All materials in their classrooms. In spite of cutbacks in Diversity Based training for our district, a recent survey and teachers evaluation of the program showed that teachers and students are still benefiting from Americans All programs and strategies. We are hopeful that through other funding, donations or gifts, we will be able to continue the enthusiasm of learning to fully appreciate each others culture. When teachers receive good materials and excellent training they forge ahead.

From my observation, as coordinator of the Pittsburgh Project, once teachers are exposed to the Americans All packets, they actively select to use them; teaming their efforts with other colleagues in their buildings to impact the largest number of students possible. This begins to create a tapestry of interdisciplinary planning and learning. Seventy-five percent of the Social Studies teachers in Pittsburgh at the elementary and middle school levels have been trained and are using Americans All materials. Many other Diversity Based programs have been introduced in Pittsburgh Schools i.e. Reach, World of Difference, and the Hartwood Series. None of these programs can compare to the content specific, teaching & learning styles oriented & affect centered materials which are the hallmark of Americans All programming. The time line and structured teaching lessons are invaluable resources to our teachers.

The impact of the program includes many schools and school districts outside of the Pittsburgh Public Schools. They include: Woodland Hills Schools (elementary, middle and secondary), Wilksburg Schools (elementary, middle and secondary), McKeesport Schools and Gateway Schools.

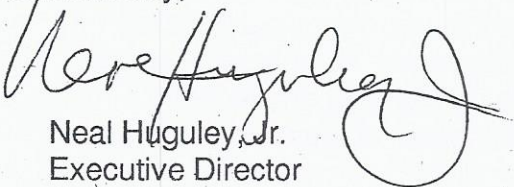
In order to keep the program alive and growing in Pittsburgh and to continue its expansion throughout the region and state, the following suggestions are offered:

- Establish Americans All Round Tables in each school district by grade level.
- Round tables should provide an opportunity for teachers to share and dialogue about classroom successes as well communicate their needs.
- Identify some one on the district Diversity Based staff to coordinate the growth and development of the Americans All program, including Round Tables.
- When Round Tables are established and working well within the school district, then we will establish Round Tables from school district to school district around the state and throughout the country. An annual city wide Diversity Based event/convention should be established.
- Begin working on a state specific Americans All plan and program.

The Americans All program has proven itself to be valued by Pittsburgh teachers and students alike. Our student educational objectives will be greatly enhanced and will benefit from the Americans All delivery of outcome based educational specific goals via diversity based awareness and sensitive materials. It will also serve as a model in this area to duplicate across the greater Pittsburgh area and throughout the state and country.

Americans All has the Pittsburgh seal of approval!

Sincerely,



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Executive Director