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Dear Mr. and Mrs. Pierce:

On behalf of Murrieta Valley Unified School District, I want to extend my sincere apologies for the circumstances that led to the heartbreaking death of your son Alex. His accident was a tragedy. I am truly sorry for the pain your family experienced two years ago and for the grief and loss you are no doubt still feeling. Although a settlement has been reached in the case, we understand that no amount of money will make up for the loss of your son.

Please be assured that the safety of our students is and always has been a top priority in our district. In the aftermath of Alex's death, our district continues to examine our policies, procedures and safety protocols regarding school safety to make sure we have the most effective practices and systems in place.

Alex touched the lives of his friends and fellow students, teachers, administrators and staff members in a very special way and he will not be forgotten.

Sincerely,

District Superintendent