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Ms. Joan McDermott  
Walter Johnson High School  
6400 Rock Spring Dr.  
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Dear Ms. McDermott:

I want to congratulate you and your students on advancing to the National Finals for the 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Science Olympiad National Tournament at the University of Central Florida.

I am extremely pleased that you and your students are representing Maryland at this prestigious event. Your team is competing against some of our country's brightest and best students, and I am sure that the months of intense preparation leading up to the finals will pay off. Your leadership has helped spark a greater interest in math and science in your students, which will help them succeed in their future endeavors.

Best wishes and good luck.

Sincerely,

Benjamin L. Cardin  
United States Senator