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Dear Almena,

For the last six weeks, the students in my fourth grade classroom at Price Laboratory School, on the campus of the University of Northern Iowa in Cedar Falls, Iowa, have been using your Almena Method Keyboarding for Beginners program.

At first, I was a bit skeptical about their ability to learn and master the keyboard in such a short amount of time. However, after two lessons, they had the keyboard letters memorized! The mnemonic tricks that you used with them were clever and interesting enough for them to remember. Additionally, they were extremely motivated to increase their words per minute from the start. They weren't very pleased with the number of words per minute that they received on their pretest. However, they were extremely pleased with their personal performance at the end of our six-week unit. Several students are now typing over 20 wpm. But the best part is their motivation. They are wrapping up another school year, but they talk amongst themselves about practicing at home so they can keep up on what they learned.

Thank you for developing a program that is user friendly for teachers and students. I am so glad that we were able to use your program. This is a lifelong skill that they will be able to take with them forever.

Respectfully,

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