



MOTHER MCAULEY

Liberal Arts High School

November 28, 2016

Mr. and Mrs. Alfonso and Shirley Bautista
6425 S. Old Harlem Road
Chicago, IL 60638

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Bautista,

Enclosed please find a thank you letter from Bryanna Martinez, the first recipient of *The Bautista Memorial Scholarship*. Bryana and her mom are thrilled to receive this honor.

You will have an opportunity to meet Bryana at our Scholarship Donor Breakfast. Please watch your mail in early spring for an invitation.

Thank you again for establishing this scholarship. We are most grateful for your family's generosity and your belief in Mother McAuley High School and Catholic education for young women.

Best wishes to you and your family. Have a wonderful holiday season!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kathryn Klyczek".

Kathryn Klyczek

Director of Admissions & Financial Aid

Wishing your family a
many Christmas and New
Year filled with many blessings!

The Bautista Memorial Scholarship

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Bautista,

My name is Bryana Martinez. I am writing because I am the new recipient of the Bautista Memorial Scholarship. There are no words to express how grateful I am for your generosity. You have given me the opportunity to continue my education here at Mother McAuley and be able to focus on my music. My education is made possible by those who believe in me and make sacrifices every day just so I can go to school. I am truly blessed and grateful for your family who has given me the opportunity to be able to walk through the doors of Mother McAuley another day. I don't know how I can ever repay you, but I hope that one day I can pay it forward and donate scholarships to Mother McAuley as well.

I continue to participate in 7 music programs (one mariachi, three bands, and three orchestras). I recently had my first concert with the Chicago Youth Symphony Orchestra (Philharmonic). I practice and perform several times a week with Mariachi Herencia de Mexico (Mariachi Heritage Foundation). I also participate in 3 in-school bands and 2 in-school orchestras. I currently play violin and trumpet, but hope to add more instruments and music to my repertoire list.

I am proud of my Hispanic heritage and I have a great passion for mariachi music. I am truly blessed to be able to be part of such an amazing mariachi ensemble, Mariachi Herencia de Mexico. We are all very talented and unique, but together we make amazing music. We would like to show the world that we are proud to be Latinos and express it through our music. I hope that one day you can join us at a performance!

(<http://www.mariachiheritagefoundation.org>)

I dream to one day be a great musician and a doctor. I hope to be able to inspire children the way others inspire me. I continue to work hard because many people believe in my dream. Finally, I just would like to say..... Muchas gracias por creer en mi y yo prometo siempre ayudar a otras personas. Gracias por todo su amor y apoyo. Y que viva el mariachi!

Sincerely,

Bryana Martinez

