## United States Senate

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Dear Friends:

Congratulations to U.S. International Christian Academy on celebrating your 18<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Thank you for your hard work and dedication to providing students with a world-class education. Florida's students are the future of our nation, and I value your commitment to their success.

I grew up in a family that struggled to make ends meet, and I know firsthand that education is life changing. I credit the education I received with giving me the foundation I needed to reach my goals and ultimately provide for my family and live the American Dream. That's why, as Governor, we made historic investments in early education, K-12 public schools, colleges and universities. We also secured the first statewide teacher pay raise in Florida history, prioritized initiatives to prepare students for college and careers upon graduating from high school, and always looked for ways to reduce the cost of, and increase access to, a quality education. Now, as your United States Senator, I am working to bring Florida's success to the nation by proposing real solutions to drive down costs for students and their families and incentivize colleges and universities to better prepare students for a job.

Congratulations again, and thank you for your incredible commitment to our students. Our students are the future of our state and nation, and I'm proud to be your partner in Washington as we continue working to prepare our students for success throughout their lives.

Sincerely,

Rick Scott

**United States Senator**