Family History Stories & Goals for your Student –

12th grade Thanksgiving Letter Request Form, StudentMotivation.org Project

To 12th grade Students: Read this full page first. Then fill out a separate copy of this Thanksgiving Letter Request Form for each of your parents, grandparents, or other close relatives you want a letter from. Write on the lines below why you would value their dreams for you in 10 years. You may also ask for a specific family history story you heard about, or a type of story from family history, like a first date, the birth of a specific relative, or a special family celebration. Read these letters when you receive them. They will eventually stay in your School's Time Capsule Vault until the 10-year Reunion for your class in 2035!

To:	Date:	
	From:	

To each person receiving this request from a student:

First: Write what we call a Thanksgiving Letter to your student giving you this request. Write first about your goals and dreams for your student for 2035 and their 10-year class reunion. Goals are the most valuable gifts any adult can give their child, grandchild, great grandchild, niece or nephew. Your gift helps them form or update their own goals. Next, increase the value of your letter by including a story from your own life. Such a family story is especially valuable if the story you share reflects the values of your family, values you hope the student will use in forming their life goals.

Second: After sending your letter to your student, ask for time to meet or call them to read the letter together and allow them to ask you questions. Such discussions are priceless! They will improve your student's self-image. It will help them become better students. Such a meeting could become valuable for both of you.

Your student will bring your letter to school. They will be given an envelope to self-address and hold all their letters, including a letter they will write to themselves about each of the letters they received and their own goals for 10 years into their future. It will be stored in the School Time-Capsule Vault until their Class 10-year Reunion in 2035!

See more details at StudentMotivation.org on this Project. 2/26/25 (over)

Your Thanksgiving Letter may be written on the lines below, or on other paper if you want.		