Dear Austin Under 40,

We are scholars of the class of 2021. We think Ms. Smith would be a good finalist because she is an innovative and knowledgeable teacher. She's also very creative, and has done things that no other teacher has done before. Forget the notebooks, textbooks and boring work sheets instead, our society is filled with technology and the Internet. In our society we are independent and we do fun things like work on corkulus (digital bulletin boards) and make our own TEDtalks that we use to put on a full day conference. We even have our own radio station. We never have homework sheets either. Our homework is to read a really awesome book for our literature circles and our books lead us to make TONS of inferences, meaningful questions, and definitely lots of critical thinking.

At first we thought this was weird that we were writing this paper. Then we looked at your website and realized that in the past, winners were not teachers and you had no students to say anything about this.

Ms. Smith really wants to change the world, and if you choose her then maybe people will realize what classrooms should look like. We think everyone should know about Ms. Smith because she is literally the best.

Anyway, you should check out our website if you don't believe us. It's hivesociety.weebly.com.

Ms. Smith has really made a big impact on classrooms and makes people rethink was school is. More importantly, we know she loves us and we love her too. Please think about letting Ms. Smith win because this could really change the way classrooms look and feel. Thank you for considering Ms. Smith and nominating her in the first place.

With respect to our favorite teacher,

losh Diaz, Ethan Rodriguez, Mia Wenska, and Sophia McLaughin-Diaz