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Dear Principal and Staff:

I am writing to invite you to take part in New Hampshire's annual poster contest to celebrate New Hampshire Clean Water Week, June 1-7, 2010. The contest is sponsored annually by the New Hampshire Water Pollution Control Association, and the National Education Association of New Hampshire. It is my hope that this contest will help to elevate student awareness about water pollution. The 2010 poster competition theme is *Water: What would you do without it?*. In addition, you will find the poster designed by last year's first place winners.

In the last thirty years, great strides have been made in reducing water pollution, and our rivers, lakes and oceans are getting clean. Citizen initiatives and governments at all levels have played a critical role in these achievements. The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services and The New Hampshire Water Pollution Control Association also play a vital role in clean water efforts by promoting public awareness of water quality issues and by encouraging professionalism and education in the pollution control industry.

I hope that you and your students will enjoy participating in the poster contest and, most importantly, will take time to learn about your community's water resources and state and local clean water efforts. Should you have questions regarding the 2010 poster contest or require further information, please contact the New Hampshire Water Pollution Control Association, PO Box 1382 in Londonderry, NH 03053 and visit their website at nhwpca.org, or call Geraldine Ciardelli of the NHWPCA at 603-589-3563. Together, we can keep our rivers, lakes and waters clean, and ensure clean water for current and future generations of New Hampshire's citizens.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John H. Lynch". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the beginning and a long tail extending to the right.

John H. Lynch
Governor