



T.F. North students reach out to support alumni at college

JANUARY 12, 2014 12:00 AM • [FOR THE TIMES](#)

CALUMET CITY | A group of Thornton Fractional North students sent 54 care packages filled with encouraging notes, handmade baked goods, and inspirational poems to recent T.F. North graduates currently enrolled in colleges and universities across the country.

The project, which was completed by students enrolled in business and life skills classes, was designed to help encourage the recent graduates as they complete their fall semester finals.

Led by teachers Emily Biegel and Elizabeth Stramaglia, the project was a “labor of love” for the students and staff involved.

Biegel said that T.F. North staff and students wanted to show recent graduates that the entire school community is behind them in their pursuit of post-secondary education and wants them to succeed. Biegel noted the project was a “team effort” and her students look forward to repeating the project in the spring.

“My administration has been working extensively with our school administrators and our counseling departments to ensure that our schools facilitate a supportive, college-bound environment,” said Superintendent Creg E. Williams. Williams went on to explain that the care packages help show young alums they are appreciated.