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Dear Professor {Last Name/Department Chair},

We would like to call attention to Professor {Last Name/Instructor}'s commitment to excellence in teaching and to the success of {her/his/their} students. Professor {Last Name/Instructor} recently invited the Center for Teaching Excellence to conduct a mid-semester feedback session with students in {her/his/their} course, {Catalogue Number: Course Title}. We attended this class on the {date} and {date} of {Month}, {Year}.

Our feedback process asks students to focus on three questions:

- 1. What is really working for you that helps you learn in this course?
- 2. What improvements could be made in the course?
- 3. What can students do to improve their success in the course?

As a general note, sometimes student suggestions can be directly implemented and in other instances, student suggestions are better addressed by explaining more explicitly why the course is organized and run in a specific manner. Best practice after a mid-semester feedback session is for the instructor to discuss the general results with students and to identify a few specific ways she or he will respond to the feedback. We discussed the overall results with Professor

{Last Name/Instructor} and possibilities for addressing students' suggestions for improving the course.

We commend Professor {Last Name/Instructor} for engaging in critical reflection on {her/his/their} teaching and {her/his/their} students' learning. This commitment to continual improvement is a defining characteristic of excellent teaching professors. If you have any questions, please contact me at [CTL staff email].

Sincerely,

[Signature of CTL staff]