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Greetings:

*U.S. News & World Report* would like to congratulate you on North Lake School receiving a bronze medal in our second annual list of America's Best High Schools.

America's Best High Schools recognizes three categories of distinction: gold, silver, and bronze. Analysis is based on:

- Standardized test performance
- Proficiency rates of all students, including the least advantaged
- Challenging college-ready curriculum

The bronze medal recognizes high schools that met the first two criteria of the America's Best High Schools methodology, but not the third. These schools have demonstrated commendable performance on state tests, but did not perform well enough on the college readiness index to merit identification as a top-performing high school.

A complete list of America's Best High Schools, as well as details about the analysis and the methodology used to develop the ranking, is available at [www.usnews.com/highschools](http://www.usnews.com/highschools) or [www.schoolmatters.com](http://www.schoolmatters.com). We encourage you to share this news with your community and the members of your local media.

Congratulations to you, your teachers and your students for achieving this great distinction.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Brian Kelly".

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