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Dear School Administrator:

Thank you to all of the schools that participated last year. This is a reminder that our program is available this year and we hope that you sign up once again for this free program. If you are a school that hasn't participated yet, please read over the materials and consider signing up to participate this year.

We would like to share a bit of our story. On May 20, 2012, what started out as a beautiful day at the start of the boating season, ended tragically as our Dominic finally got the chance to use the family's jet ski on his own, a feat that he was anticipating since our family had acquired the jet ski two years before. Dominic knew that he needed to get his boater's license in order to ride on his own. Dom took the required boater safety class after he was eligible at the age of 14 and just couldn't wait for this day. Tragically his anticipation ended in devastation and he died that fateful day while on his first solo ride on the jet ski.

Dominic played football for Longwood High School and LYSA. He loved the Jets and playing for Longwood. He had a compassionate heart and kind soul. This past October Dominic would have been turning 22. He probably would have played on the varsity football team and would have graduated at Longwood High School June 2015. To honor Dominic and his love of the water, our family has established a not-for-profit organization, The Dominic Trionfo Memorial Fund, to promote the importance of boater and water safety on Long Island. Our organization has already distributed over \$15,000 in academic and athletic scholarships as well as support to the Longwood Community since 2012.

Our Boater and Water Safety Activity Program is an important aspect of our non-profit organization. We wanted to share our program with school districts across Long Island with the hopes of expanding nationally soon. You can access the links listed on the easy to follow online teacher guide, view pages from our activity book, and view our life jacket safety video on our web site dominicmemorialfund.org. We encourage the use of the online teacher guide in the classroom when presenting this program. Each year we want to provide children with the knowledge of boater and water safety. Through our fundraising efforts, we can educate children through our classroom program at no cost to your school district. Each classroom will receive a teacher's guide as well as books and parent letters for the entire class. It is designed to be flexible to incorporate into a teacher's daily or weekly lesson plan while preparing students to be safe around boats and water. Please fill out the enclosed form or fill out the form on our web site by March 10, 2020 so your schools can benefit from our program this spring.

Our program was test piloted at Coram Elementary School in the Longwood School District in May 2017. It was distributed to over 25,000 children in over 28 school districts on Long Island at no cost to them in the spring of the past two years. Our program was featured on News 12. We hope to have more schools participate this year. In addition to the U.S. Power Squadron recommending our program, they have used it in their youth classes.

If you have any questions, need additional supplies, or would like to email the order form, please contact us at info@dominicmemorialfund.org.

Sincerely,

The Monat/Martinelli Family – Family of Dominic Trionfo