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Dear Ricardo Salinas,

Thank you so much for the scholarship that allowed me to participate in The Hurst Student Seminar: High School Great Ideas. It has really changed the way I feel about Aristotle, life, and learning. I now have a better understanding of the great ideas that have shaped modern thought and how they apply my life. Now I realize that I look at the world in a more open minded way. I have insight about the different opinions people have about different topics.

The seminar really challenged my comfort zone. I went into it not feeling too comfortable sharing my opinions on controversial topics such as equality and justice. Now, not only do I feel comfortable sharing my opinions but I also enjoy listening and discussing the reasoning behind each other's beliefs.

I can't precisely say that I have a favorite part, because everything that happened was memorable but I can say that I really enjoy the fact I still keep in touch with some of the amazing students that I met at the seminar. I also loved that the seminar has really reinforced the understanding that learning doesn't always have to come in the form of a text book, and that learning can be something that can be fun and enjoyable. Thanks again!

Sincerely,

Margarita Alvarez