



The  
Climate Change Leadership Institute

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Dear Professor Harris,

We are very pleased to present you with the 2022 Climate Education Award for teaching and encouraging your students to develop a sense of agency in addressing climate change.

The climate crisis is a challenging subject about which young people in particular can feel dejected when they see that not enough is being done to tackle the problem and they think hope is out of sight. Teachers and parents play an extraordinarily important role in nurturing and guiding young people through these tumultuous times.

As a parent and as a professor you have been a steady and inspiring force, passing on the value of human engagement and participation in constructive solution making.

The Climate Change Leadership Institute is a community focused organization in New Mexico. We spearhead direct action campaigns and honor stellar displays of teamwork (visit [www.takeresponsibility.us](http://www.takeresponsibility.us) for more information). Each year we give out seed grant awards for courage, justice, innovation, action, conservation and education — all ingredients we must solidify in order to prevail in the climate crisis. The Climate Education Award is important for many reasons but mainly because it honors people like you who are planting the seeds and laying the foundation for a brighter future.

Thank you for all your excellence in teaching, in motivating and in caring for our young people.

With much appreciation,

Robb Hirsch  
Founder and Executive Director