Dear [Recipient],

I am writing to you today to express my deep concern about the state of literacy instruction in our schools. As a member of this community, I am deeply committed to ensuring that every child has access to the best education possible, and I believe that evidence-based literacy instruction is a crucial component of that.

According to recent studies, only 37% of fourth-grade students in the United States are proficient in reading, and the numbers are even lower for students from low-income families and minority groups. These statistics are alarming, as literacy is an essential skill that forms the foundation for academic success and lifelong learning.

Evidence-based literacy instruction is the most effective way to teach children how to read and write. It focuses on the development of phonemic awareness, phonics, fluency, vocabulary, and comprehension skills, which are all essential for children to become successful readers and writers. By utilizing evidence-based literacy instruction in our schools, we can help our students achieve the skills they need to succeed academically and beyond.

Unfortunately, many schools are still relying on outdated or ineffective methods of literacy instruction. As a result, too many students are struggling with reading and writing, which can have lifelong consequences for their academic and professional success.

I urge you to take action to ensure that evidence-based literacy instruction is implemented in our schools. This may require investing in professional development for teachers, updating curricula and materials, and providing support and resources to help teachers and students succeed. I believe that these efforts will pay off in the long run by improving academic outcomes and giving our students the tools they need to succeed.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter.  
I look forward to hearing about the steps you will take to implement evidence-based literacy instruction in our schools.

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Sincerely,

[Your Name]