



LETTER FROM LITTLE SISTER ARIELLA TO HER BIG SISTER GINA

Dear GG - the best Big Sister known to man,

Thank you. This letter is only a fraction of how grateful I am to be your Little Sister. I honestly couldn't have asked for anything more. You literally are like my home away from home. Whenever I'm having a hard day, you help me see the light from the other side of the tunnel. I love how you give me advice and help me see the rational side of certain situations. I'm still waiting for us to get our comedy show together. I honestly couldn't have come across another person that makes me genuinely happy like you do. In the beginning of this program, I thought it wasn't going to last for me because of how one-track minded I used to be. But you helped me. Thank you.



I can't even put into words how much I am truly, truly grateful and happy because of you. I genuinely see you as a big sister. Thank you. Thank you for just being you. A truly great person. And I can't wait for us to see each other again and have ice cream! Thank you. Thank you. Thank you. I love you from the bottom of my sugar addicted, sushi lover, master chef heart.

Sincerely,

L. (The best Little Sister)

MATCH HIGHLIGHT

Big Sister Sabeha and Little Sister Sha'Niyah were matched during the height of the pandemic but didn't let that halt their friendship! They met via video conference consistently and enjoyed fun activities like virtual yoga and spa days which included masks and painting their nails. Sabeha and Sha'Niyah met in person over the summer for socially distanced activities like going on walks, getting meals together, and painting pottery. Sha'Niyah loves that Sabeha encourages her to try new things. When asked what she likes about her Big Sister, Sha'Niyah shared "She's a good person, and she likes to help people. She's like me because I always like to help people too." These two are excited to continue connecting safely and building their friendship!

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO OUR NOVEMBER MATCHES

- Little Brother Zion & Big Brother Vib **5 Years**
- Little Brother Trevor & Big Brother Ryan **4 Years**
- Little Sister Emily & Big Sister Laura **4 Years**
- Little Brother Jake & Big Brother John **3 Years**
- Little Sister Glory & Big Sister Susan **3 Years**
- Little Brother Justin & Big Sister Jennifer **2 Years**
- Little Sister Hazel & Big Sister Meghan **2 Years**
- Little Brother John & Big Brother Tom **2 Years**
- Little Brother Daijee & Big Brother Ed **2 Years**
- Little Sister Fernanda & Big Sister Carolyn **1 Year**
- Little Brother DJ & Big Brother Anthony **1 Year**
- Little Sister Janae & Big Sister Amy **1 Year**

THE BIG WAIT

Shane is a friendly 8th grader who is known to get along with everyone. He's an avid horse-back rider who has been taking lessons for six years. Shane also likes reading, playing Fortnite, watching Stranger Things, and playing basketball. He is looking forward to spending time with a Big Brother who also enjoys playing video games and who likes to eat at Texas Roadhouse!

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SAVE THE DATE

12. ONE. 2020

**GIVING
TUESDAY**

C.A.R.E.S. PROGRAM – CREATING ACCESS TO RESOURCES, EVENTS, AND SUPPORT

BBBSCNNJ is excited to launch our Tutoring Office Hours. This program is open to all Little Brothers, Little Sisters, and children waiting to be matched who need extra support academically. Our tutors are volunteer high school students from Trinity Hall High School, Ranney School, and Christian Brothers Academy. The program will run weekly on Mondays and Wednesdays using a virtual platform. We understand that this year is extra challenging in many ways and our goal is to help our Littles reach their greatest academic potential.

FALL PHOTO FUN

This fall, we asked our matches to send us their best “fall match photos.” We were happy to see so many matches taking advantage of safe, outdoor fall activities such as pumpkin painting, corn mazes, and going on hikes!



THANK YOU!



Thank you to everyone who participated in and sponsored our recent events – This is NOT a Gala and the Halloween Ramble. With your support, over \$100,000 was raised for our one-to-one mentoring programs!



EMPOWER RESILIENCE



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The year has been a challenge for the strongest of us. And for our nation's youth, it is even tougher.

*But during these difficult times, our Littles have shown us that **THEY ARE RESILIENT.***

Big Brothers Big Sisters is committed to providing caring adult mentors for children who need support **now more than ever.**

Make a gift today to empower the resilience of our Littles.

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