My name is <u>Robbie Tarver</u>. I am on the 6th grade accelerated team. I play soccer for the Chicago Rush. I also like to read. I have one brother Noah. We live with our parents in Shorewood. When I first started at WBO, I was really nervous and not sure what to expect. As time went on. I gained knowledge in areas that I never explored before. In 5th grade when I was in citizenship I learned about internet safety, what to do and what not to do. When I was in computers' I practiced how to type and learned a little bit how to code. When I was in music I learned to play a ukulele. In 6th grade when I was in communications applications I practiced how to speak publicly. I'm still working on that. Now in digital art I learned how to draw a zent-angle and I am working on a ceramic piece and an animation project. In addition, I have been able to explore my interest in learning about different parts of the world by joining Geography club. Not only have I learned about this country and others, Mr. Chinderle has connected me to other students that have similar interests. I appreciate the clubs and activities that are offered. Ms. Boye, who was my social studies teacher, also supervised me in flag football and soccer and provided a great experience. I really like all of the opportunities that this school has and I have learned a lot from them.

Good Evening my name is **Isabella Nelson.** I am in 6th grade and on the **blue team** at WBO. Here with me is my mom and brother Jack. This is my first year at WBO. It has been a great experience so far. I have met great friends that are kind and caring. Right now I am on the volleyball team and my coach and all of the players are so helpful, caring and kind to each other. I am so grateful for all of the amazing people at my school. Thank you.

Hello my name is **Skyler Schmid** from the 6 **red team** and I am here with my parents, my grandparents, and my little sister who goes to Troy Hofer. I am actually a roller-skater. Not just like skating around I am talking about stuff like jumps and spins. Last year in 5th grade in my explore class citizenship, the class went on a field trip at a food shelter. A food shelter is a place where people who can't afford food can get food for free. We would do things such as helping people find the food they want, help log the food, and organize the place where the food is stored. This has opened my eyes to what kindness does for people. Whether it's a big showcase or something as small as lending a pencil. Thank you.

Hello my name is **Tristan Hansen** and I am on the **white team**. My family member are my parents, my sisters Ellie and Caitlyn, my brother Marcus and my grandparents. Something about myself is I love gymnastics and I hate taking no for an answer. Gymnastics has taught me to never give up and go out of your comfort zone because that is how you become great. I would like to thank Mrs. Richardson and Mrs. Lara because they went above and beyond and helped me reach my goals better than any other teachers. Mrs. Richardson makes me want to learn and help me realize that even though I may not be the best at ELA and not like it the best, but she knew I was capable to do great. She encouraged me to push myself even though I may not like it. Mrs. Lara help me reach my big goal in fourth grade to be in accelerated math. Now I am living my goal and I could not do it without her. They both made me feel special and I never though I would be where I am today without those teachers. They made me feel like even though I may not like something I can do it the best I can.