

Dear Students of Ruth-Cohn-Schule,

Thank you for taking the time to write to Mr. Gates and express your support for the work of the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. We appreciate you sharing your project with the foundation. Please note that, due to the level of correspondence Mr. Gates receives, he is unable to respond to the majority of requests.

As you may already know, the foundation supports nonprofit organizations working in the following areas:

- The Global Development Program focuses on agriculture, financial services for the poor, and access to computers and the internet in international public libraries.
- The Global Health Program concentrates on reducing disease in developing countries.
- The United States Program works nationally in education, provides access to technology in public libraries, and works with community programs supporting vulnerable families in Washington state and the greater Portland, Oregon area.

If you are interested in learning more about Mr. Gates and the work of the foundation, please visit our Web site at www.gatesfoundation.org.

Again, many thanks for writing and best wishes for the future.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Jones
Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation