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Greetings from Montezuma,

As usual, the spring ushered in Project Week at UWC-USA. As I hope our alumni remember fondly, it is a time for students and faculty to get out on the road and work on something that is challenging, interesting, and always meaningful. I'm impressed with the projects they undertake. I am moved by the appreciation they feel for the communities they interact with and the experiences they plan and lead.



In addition to the Heads' Meeting, my own spring brought an experience I won't soon forget. I was invited to attend TED2018: The Age of Amazement in Vancouver last week. I was struck by the power of the presentations, the vision behind projects that really are changing the world. And I was struck by the way our students' projects have many of the same qualities I saw at TED: courage in identifying a challenge, vision to see the possibility for change, tenacity to embrace new work and to act based on the insight that ideas can change the world. Our students are doing the work and building the credibility they need to be the next generation of "big idea" people that I spent a week with at TED. The audacity of the UWC mission resonates with those I spoke with at TED and with the many people our students encountered during Project Week.

My best,

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