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Dear South ARC,

It is with deep regrets that I express my leave from the South Accommodation Committee. My International Baccalaureate (IB) commitments, university applications, and recent appointment as Westdale Secondary School's President have overwhelmed my time commitments. Thus, I do not feel that I would be able to devote my full potential to this committee.

On October 12, 2011, Student Senate elected a new Student Leader Representative for the South ARC. Moreover, I have given my binder to the new representative.

I wish continued success to the committee in this revision process. There is one point I would like to emphasize from a student's point of view: the profound influence of the staff on the success of programs. A teacher's influence is colossal; he/she can open up new avenues of enlightenment. Mitch Albom's *Tuesdays with Morrie* hits the crux of this concept and I have had numerous teachers who have validated this claim. Great teachers are mentors—those who devote their entirety to the success and maturity of their students. Great teachers are those who go above and beyond—those who recognize weaknesses and willingly invest time and provision. Great teachers are those who behave in loco parentis.

Again, I wish you continued success in the process. May the best option be devised and may all the meetings continue to be fun.

Sincerely, Julia Shen