Sample Letter to local Veterinarian

Dear\_\_\_\_\_,

The children in the 2<sup>nd</sup> grade class at \_\_\_\_\_\_Elementary School in \_\_\_\_\_are learning to be caring and compassionate citizens through an intensive Lucky Dog - Humane Education Program. The Lucky Dog curriculum focuses on kindness, respect, compassion and commitment to both people and animals. Research has shown that teaching young children from an early age to participate in community service and empathize with others can greatly reduce the risk of developing bully like characteristics.

Our lesson this month revolves around building empathy pets with special needs and aging pets. They are learning that people and pets are not defined by their needs and that what truly makes someone special is how they make you feel when you are around them.

We would like to invite you and/or your vet tech to come speak to our class about what you do. Our students would greatly benefit from hearing heartwarming stories of pets that are aging or pets that have special medical needs and their loving bond with their families.

We understand that you are busy keeping pets healthy and that your work is extremely important. Our school day is from \_\_\_\_\_am to \_\_\_\_pm Monday –Friday. We look forward to hearing from you, and hope you can work a class visit into your schedule.

You can contact me at (email) or (phone number)

I look forward to hearing from you! Thank you so much for helping build compassion in our classroom and beyond.

Sincerely,