Dear Students of Amherst College,

The last few days have been eye-opening for the staff at the Writing Center. We have been moved by your stories of feeling insufficiently welcomed and supported at Amherst, and we support your efforts to challenge all of us to work toward becoming a more just and inclusive community.

The Writing Center at Amherst College has as its primary mission the academic support of all students. We thank you for your courage in sharing the stories that help us to understand how we must do better. Though we have worked hard to increase the numbers of appointment hours that we offer, we now appreciate that we must redouble our efforts to make the Writing Center a nurturing, responsive, and challenging environment in which all students can comfortably thrive and grow.

Yours sincerely,

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