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The National Science Foundation  
4201 Wilson Boulevard  
Arlington, VA 22230

NSF INCLUDES Program Manager,

**District Relations**

Dr. Amy Holcombe

On behalf of Guilford County Schools, I am writing to express our full support to serve as an EMERGE in STEM Partner/Collaborator with Dr. Greg Monty, PI, NC A&T State University. The NSF INCLUDES DDLP: EMERGE in STEM (Education for Minorities to Effectively Raise Graduation and Employment in STEM, will fill a unique gap in the current educational experience of Guilford County Schools' students.

Guilford County Schools has a long record of successfully working with partners on federal grants. We are committed and prepared to fully implement the grant activities as described in the application and to support program evaluation efforts.

We strongly urge the Department to consider NC A&T State University's application favorably and highly recommend their continued work to benefit students, both in Guilford County Schools, and across the country.

Sincerely,

EMERGE in STEM Partner/Collaborator  
Amy Holcombe, Ph.D.  
Executive Director of Strategic Planning and Development