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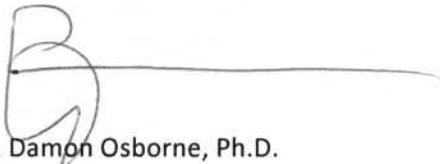
Ohio Department of Education
25 South Front Street
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Dear Straight A Fund Reviewers,

Mount Vernon Nazarene University (MVNU) is excited to partner with Granville Exempted Village School District in their innovative project for Digital Efficiencies. This project will provide amazing learning opportunities for students as the district shifts from traditional teaching to a transformative educational environment that provides 1:1 technology steeped in online and blended learning for students. This pedagogical shift will provide amazing opportunities for students and will anchor them in a learning system that provides the skills necessary to be successful in the workforce and in college.

MVNU will bring our expertise of providing high quality professional development to this endeavor. As a stakeholder in Granville's project, MVNU will partner in a series of professional development sessions focusing on the use of a learning management system, Quality Matters, and student assessment. We require all of our professional development to be aligned to Ohio's Standards for the Teaching Profession, Ohio's New Learning Standards, and MVNU's Teacher Education Conceptual Framework. We look forward to building a meaningful project that will have such a profound impact in education and the lives of Granville's students.

Sincerely,



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