



October 23, 2013

Dr. Thomas Tucker
Worthington Schools
22 East Wilson Bridge Road
Worthington, OH 43085

Dear Dr. Tucker:

Thank you for the opportunity to partner with Worthington Schools on the Ohio Straight A Fund grant proposal to the Ohio Department of Education.

Established in 1803, Worthington Libraries has a long history of supporting lifelong learning in our community and works extensively with the Worthington Schools to ensure each child in our school district has equal access to information and resources.

To that end, Worthington Libraries will provide the following assistance and resources in support of the Worthington Schools application to the Ohio Straight A Fund grant program:

- **PROGRAMMING:** We will offer a series of "Technology Petting Zoos" to provide hands-on technology training, helping students and teachers use their devices to access e-books and other exclusive online resources available through the Library.
- **HOMEWORK HELP CENTER:** We will help students set up and use their devices at our three Homework Help Centers, which are open for student-only use each afternoon, Monday-Thursday, during the school year.

Please contact me at 614-807-2601 with any questions. I value our partnership and look forward to continuing to work with you to meet the needs of children in our mutual service area.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Chuck Gibson", with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

Chuck Gibson
Director/CEO



DESCRIPTION OF NATURE OF PARTNERSHIP

A partnership is an association between a grant applicant and educational stakeholder(s) in which the stakeholder agrees to provide human and material assets or access to academic and administrative resources to the grant applicant to develop or execute a Straight A Fund grant application. However, in a partnership, only the grant applicant is responsible for ensuring the grant is developed and executed according to the terms of the grant agreement with the Straight A Program Governing Board. Grant applicant partners are responsible only to the extent provided in their Partnership Agreement with the grant applicant.

In order to ensure the effective implementation of the Straight A Fund throughout the state, applicants are encouraged to partner with education stakeholders. Each applicant must identify its partners and attach a description of each respective partner's roles and responsibilities.

Each member of the partnership is responsible for the following assurances:

1. Be knowledgeable about the applicant's Straight A Fund grant proposal and application, including advocacy of the Straight A Fund program.
2. Maintain familiarity with the partner's services to enhance the proposal, including specific goals and practices.
3. Demonstrate a commitment to clear roles and responsibilities of each partner as it relates to the grant proposal and application.
4. Sustain consistent communication among partners and stakeholders with a shared vision of the goals of the grant proposal. This includes participating in regularly scheduled meetings for project management and identifying areas for improvement.
5. Ensure partners have appropriate access to data for purposes of grant program improvement and evaluation in accordance with state and federal law.
6. Develop a clear project management plan to sustain the project over time.

Partnership Signatures

Applicant

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