

April 8, 2014

To Whom It May Concern:

Please accept this letter as notice of our college's support for and partnership with the Mahoning County Educational Service Center (MCESC) for its Straight A Fund grant proposal.

The Beeghly College of Education (B.C.O.E.) at Youngstown State University will work in partnership with the MCESC on the activities and deliverables described in the proposed Straight A Fund project entitled "Mahoning Valley Academic Cloud" (MVAC). The B.C.O.E. is excited about the MVAC's potential of expanding online learning experiences for K-16 students of the Mahoning Valley Region of northeastern Ohio. As partners, YSU will provide personnel who will support the research and evaluation component of the MVAC for the duration of the five years of the grant period. In addition, the college will also grant activities and deliverables by connecting MCESC with Y.S.U. faculty members in appropriate content areas. YSU BCOE will also participate as a member of the MVAC Council and attend monthly MVAC Council meetings.

Sincerely,



Charles L. Howell
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