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To Whom It May Concern,

Creating new educational opportunities for multiple school districts, while taking full advantage of existing partnerships and cost-saving measures is the concentrated focus of the new Epicenter Flex-Credit program. This endeavor is currently spearheaded for multiple school districts in Washington County by Mrs. Tasha Werry, Director of Community Outreach for Marietta City Schools. I would personally like to endorse this program for the new, creative ideas it presents and to encourage funding to help create a program that can be shared by multiple districts and used by an unlimited number of students in multiple grade levels.

The Epicenter Flex Credit will provide our students with the opportunity to create their own learning experience while addressing core curricular components. This option will be included in The Washington County Career Center’s curriculum guide for students. In order to further develop this option and other opportunities for our students, the resources provided by Building Bridges to Careers will be included in our Career Advising Policy. Specifically, this community resource can help train employees on how to advise students and can provide students with support in transitioning to postsecondary destinations.

Currently I serve as the Secondary Director of The Washington County Career Center. I am excited about the potential entrepreneurial skills developed in the Epicenter Flex-Credit Program that can be shared with all Washington County students, and thus provide more exposure to career-technical education. The proposed program would cover all 16 current career clusters and create opportunities for exploration in multiple career fields.

Thank you for your consideration given to the Epicenter Flex-Credit Program. Please contact me at your convenience for any additional information

Sincerely,

Michael Elliott
Secondary Director

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