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Dear Chattahoochee County Schools' Stakeholder:

As superintendent of the Chattahoochee County School System, I know first-hand the impact the REACH Georgia Program is having on our middle and high school students. REACH is a needs-based scholarship and mentoring program that begins in eighth grade. REACH Scholars are paired with a mentor and an academic coach who regularly meet with the Scholar and monitor their grades, attendance and behavior through middle and high school. When our REACH Scholars graduate from high school, they are awarded up to a \$10,000 scholarship to attend a Georgia HOPE-eligible two or four-year college of their choice. Many of these colleges are matching or double-matching the scholarship to provide Scholars additional resources.

We are currently in our second year of participation. Many of our Scholars are the first in their families to attend college. Prior to participating in REACH, these Scholars may not have had an opportunity to pursue postsecondary education. Now, they are talking about college choices and future careers. We continue to see improvements in their grades, attendance and social skills.

Our students and our community will benefit from having REACH in our school system. To grow this program and add additional students in upcoming years, the Chattahoochee County School System needs your help. For each new eighth grade Scholar we bring into the program, the school system must raise \$2,500 of the \$10,000 scholarship; the REACH Foundation funds the remainder. 100% of all private funds raised supports REACH scholarships.

Will you make a tax deductible donation today? Remember that your donation leverages funds from the REACH Foundation as well as from those colleges that have pledged to match or double-match the scholarship.

On behalf of all students who will benefit from this program as well as our community, thank you for your support and consideration of a donation. If you have any questions or concerns, or would like to have more information on the program, please feel free to contact Dr. Tabatha Walton at (706) 989-3774 or 3775.

Respectfully,

David McCurry