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Susan Milliken, Executive Director
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Dear Susan,

We are excited to utilize F4K as a resource in our efforts to provide educational opportunities for successful futures. The emphasis on educational relevance and community partnerships will be particularly important in preparing the students of Orange County for the 21st century workforce.

F4K not only gives students the opportunity to explore and learn about a wide range of careers but it also clearly demonstrates what a student needs to do to succeed in a particular field. Creating a graduation plan that takes their career interest into account helps the students understand the correlation between the courses they are taking now and their future accomplishments. It is this sense of relevance that will help the students grow into lifelong learners and responsible citizens.

Community involvement is a crucial element in shaping the students into responsible citizens, and F4K provides an excellent forum for effective communication. Students can solicit advice on preparing for and entering the professional world as they research potential future employers. Businesses and career coaches have an equally valuable opportunity to impact the future workforce as they offer guidance and encouragement to the students.

The partnership with Futures for Kids demonstrates Orange County Schools' commitment to its vision to be a leader in ensuring academic success and in preparing students to succeed in a diverse world. We invite the community to join us in this endeavor as we shape the next generation.

Sincerely,

G. Patrick Rhodes
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