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TYCO ELECTRONICS EQUIPS NC STUDENTS TO PLAN FOR THEIR FUTURES

RALEIGH, N.C., April 2010 – A \$10,000 donation from the Tyco Electronics Foundation will help to expand and enhance the career exploration program Futures for Kids (F4K), reaching more North Carolina students and connecting them with careers matching their passions and interests.

F4K utilizes technology to allow students to identify careers that interest them and provide guidance for where to go next, from educational requirements to learning styles assessments to electronic mentors who can offer been-there-done-that advice for someone just starting out.

“We think it’s important to expose students to the possibilities that lie ahead, and equip them with the tools to find what’s right for them,” stated Mary Rakoczy with the Tyco Electronics Foundation. “F4K is a terrific program that encourages students to do just that, highlighting the relevance of what they are doing in school now in light of what they want to be doing in 10 years.”

Tyco Electronics and F4K are teaming up outside the classroom as well, working on a “Bring Your Child to Work” day at the Tyco Electronics facilities in Winston-Salem. F4K Executive Director Susan Milliken was enthusiastic about the possibilities. “Something clicks for the student when they see their classroom lessons come into play on the job, in the workforce, in daily life. The more we can make that connection with companies like Tyco Electronics, the more these students will take ownership of their opportunities and the more successful they will be.”

About Tyco Electronics

Tyco Electronics Ltd. is a leading global provider of engineered electronic components, network solutions, specialty products and undersea telecommunication systems, with fiscal 2009 sales of US\$10.3 billion to customers in more than 150 countries. We design, manufacture and market products for customers in a broad array of industries including automotive; data communication systems and consumer electronics; telecommunications; aerospace, defense and marine; medical; energy; and lighting. With approximately 7,000 engineers and worldwide manufacturing, sales and customer service capabilities, Tyco Electronics' commitment is our customers' advantage. More information on Tyco Electronics can be found at <http://www.tycoelectronics.com/>.

About Futures for Kids (F4K)

Futures for Kids is a 501(c)(3) non-profit that seeks to bridge the gap between the hopes and dreams of our students and the workforce development needs of our communities. Now reaching students in 30 counties, F4K uses technology to create a community of support around our kids, encouraging them to explore careers by connecting with Career Coaches and companies across North Carolina. For more information about F4K or to sign up as a Career Coach, please visit the website at www.f4k.org.

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