
Date

Mr. Joe L. LeDesma
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Dear Mr. LeDesma,

On behalf of _____, please accept this letter as our intent to collaborate with the Palomar College GEAR UP Partnership Program. By supporting your GEAR UP Grant application this will continue your concerted efforts, to promote higher education in North County, San Diego.

I am committed to the GEAR UP goals and terms for collaboration I have listed below. From a business perspective, the needed results from the GEAR UP grant program, will impact our local & regional employers, build industry capacity for educated workers, help to restart our economy, leading to increased ingenuity. I support more youth graduating from high school, pursue college, and graduate with higher education degrees, with a strong business/STEAM career plan.

The _____ will support your educational activities, programs, services, and events, while providing in-kind as a dollar for dollar “match” and other methods of commitment; therefore, GEAR UP efforts can be a true community-education-commerce collaboration and partnership, while the outcomes of the grant become verifiably successful.

Here are my suggested terms for collaboration:

- Serve as a mentor(s)/role model(s)
- Collaborate with GEAR UP staff on any new and innovative teaching ideas or services
- Speaker(s) or presenter(s) for workshops or classes for students, parents, or teachers
- Provide internships, job experiences, job “shadowing”, volunteer/service opportunities or “hire a youth” employment of GEAR UP students
- Provide tours of facilities or businesses for college or career exploration
- Contribute products, consulting, or services to GEAR UP staff or participants

Sincerely,

(Your name, title business)