

**Education Partnership  
between  
U.S. Army Edgewood Chemical Biological Center  
and  
Cecil County Board of Education**

Introduction

This agreement establishes an official basis for mutual understanding and cooperation between the U.S. Army Edgewood Chemical Biological Center (ECBC) and the Cecil County Public Schools in the implementation of a “Partnership in Education” program in accordance with Section 2194 of Title 10 of the United States Code, “Education Partnerships.”

This supportive relationship is established in recognition of the importance of the importance of public education to the future political and economic well-being of the nation as well as the importance of the Cecil County Public Schools (CCPS) to the business, industrial, and governmental institutions with the community.

**Program Definition**

The objectives of this partnership are to:

- (1) Encourage and enhance students’ interest in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) scientific disciplines.
- (2) Build a stronger relationship between the efforts of CCPS educators and the occupational needs of U.S. Army ECBC.
- (3) Provide opportunities for students to become involved in early career exploration as a basis for making realistic decisions regarding their future careers. Efforts will include introducing students to various missions, occupations, and professions within the federal government as well as providing an exposure to the work environment as a means of encouraging students to develop positive work ethics.

The partnership may encompass the following types of activities:

- Guest lecturing to both large and small student groups
- Visits, tours, and demonstrations of technologies
- Student mentorships
- Internships (both volunteer and pay-for-service)
- Curriculum development support
- Equipment loans/transfers for educational use
- Tutoring for students and teacher development efforts
- Science project judging

### **Program Administration**

The administration of this partnership program and the coordination of the specific activities that comprise the program will be the joint responsibility of the designated partnership program managers (PPM) from each institution.

The ECBC Program Manager for Community and Educational Outreach (PMCEO) will serve as the PPM on behalf of ECBC. The ECBC PMCEO will work with the partnership manager for the Cecil County Public Schools System to identify and select participating schools and activities within the school system. The ECBC PPM will assure that the program activities meet the legal and administrative requirements of the federal government and more specifically, the Department of the Army.

The Science Supervisor will serve as the partnership program manager on behalf of the CCPS. The CCPS PPM shall coordinate the program activities with the appropriate elements within the school system to comply with the legal and administrative requirements of ECBC.

The choice of individual schools and their students and staff to participate in particular program activities will be mutually agreed upon by the ECBC PMCEO and the CCPS PPM. It will be the responsibility of the CCPS to determine the educational effectiveness of activities conducted with the program.

### **Program Authorization**

The establishment of this Education Partnership is covered by the following documents/programs.

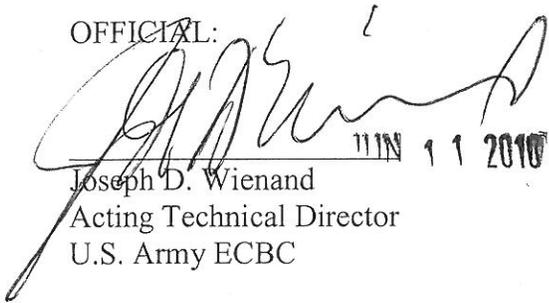
- Section 2194 of Title 10, U.S. Code, Education Partnerships
- 15 U.S. Code 3701 et seq., Stevenson-Wydler Technology Innovation Action of 1980
- Executive Order 12820 – Facilitating Federal Employee Participation in Community Service Activities.

### **Period of Agreement**

This agreement will remain in effect until modified or terminated by the participating organizations. Modification can be made at any time by mutual agreement of the signatories or their successors. Either participating organization may withdraw

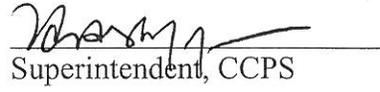
from this agreement at any time by providing the partner with a 30-day written notification to that effect.

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