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MEMORANDUM

TO: Randolph County Board of Education
Dr. Stephen Gainey, Superintendent

FROM: Amber Ward, Public Information Officer

DATE: May 18, 2026

RE: The Randolph Education Connection

The Randolph Education Connection is a partnership among the Randolph County School System, Randolph Community College, and the UNC Greensboro School of Education designed for students who aspire to teach in the Randolph County School System.

Through this partnership, eligible students can begin their four-year pathway toward teacher licensure while still in high school. Students work toward completing an Associate in Arts or Associate in Science degree, along with a personalized teacher preparation pathway, by the time they graduate from high school. After successfully graduating from Randolph Community College, students enroll in the UNC Greensboro School of Education to complete their bachelor's degree and earn full teaching licensure.

While enrolled at Randolph Community College during their high school years, students receive waived tuition through the Career and College Promise program, and RCC waives all associated fees. The Randolph County School System provides books and materials at little to no cost, and students complete two CTE teaching internship credits.

During their final two years at UNCG, students receive a 50% tuition discount and return to the Randolph County School System to serve as teaching interns. After successfully graduating from UNCG, Randolph Education Connection students are expected to teach in the school system for a minimum of three years.

The Randolph County School System is grateful for this partnership and proud to welcome its first cohort of students:

- Savannah Davis — 10th Grade — Southwestern Randolph High School — Aspires to teach Kindergarten
- Brady Kearns — 10th Grade — Randolph Early College High School — Aspires to teach secondary mathematics
- Rebeca Aleman Arellano — 10th Grade — Randolph Early College High School — Aspires to teach Middle Grades Language Arts
- London Harrington — 11th Grade — Trinity High School — Aspires to teach Kindergarten or 1st Grade