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Mr. Steve Bergen
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Re: Newark Tech Saturdays

Dear Mr. Bergen,

On behalf of the Office of the Chancellor and the Rutgers Newark Tech Saturday Project Committee, we would like to extend our sincere gratitude for your invaluable assistance in getting our *Newark Tech Saturday* project off the ground. It is, in great part, because of your vision and its manifestation at the Children's Storefront School that we are able to see a similar project come to fruition in Newark, NJ. We share your vision, and your passion to improve the quality of education for young people by bringing technology into their homes. We understand the importance of families having technology at their fingertips. Like Harlem, Newark is facing a great digital divide, and it must be addressed. Thank you for inspiring us to get started on this work.

Our six session program will align with the Newark Public Schools Bold Approach Plan, also modeled after another Harlem initiative, the Harlem Children's Zone. Our recruitment will focus on students of our neighboring high school, Central High, and its feeder schools. We are currently working on finalizing our curriculum and acquiring the computers to give to our families. We appreciate your offer of 10 computers, and wholeheartedly accept. Please let us know how we can arrange for transportation of the computers to the Rutgers Newark campus.

Again, thank you for all the consultation with Ms. Kaleena Katea Berryman and all of your guidance through this process. We hope we can continue to call on you in the future.

Sincerely,

Marcia Wilson Brown