

February 9, 2001

Mr. Jason R. Case, Project Director  
Lincoln County Schools  
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Brookhaven, MS 39602-0826

Dear Mr. Case:

I am pleased to offer my support to Lincoln County Schools in securing a 21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Center grant from the United States Department of Education. The 21<sup>st</sup> Century Learning Center grant compliments our state's efforts to provide a safe learning environment for our students and to provide communities with academic and recreational enrichment activities.

Now, more than ever, it is critical that students graduating from Mississippi high schools have the skills necessary to compete for a job in our global marketplace. We created the Governor's Task Force for Classroom Technology to accomplish the goal of placing an Internet-accessible computer in every public elementary and secondary classroom in Mississippi by the end of 2002. The Task Force's diligence and determination, matched with state and private dollars, will make Mississippi one of the first states in the nation to bring the Internet to every classroom.

I will continue to work to make resources available to ensure a quality education for Mississippi's children, our state's greatest resources. As always, thank you for your service to our students and to our state. Together we can set unprecedented goals and achieve unparalleled progress.

Very truly yours,

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