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Dear Dr. Watts,

Thank you for attending our last State University Education Deans meeting and discussing the need to get a new State partnership agreement with Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP) that is responsive to the needs and policies of programs preparing educators in Ohio. Like you, we are committed to having the best educational system for Ohio's citizens and having excellent educator preparation programs is critical to this goal.

The new partnership agreement with CAEP will impact our programs and has the potential to better align our state and national accreditation work. It will also help the state and educator preparation programs to eliminate unnecessary time, duplication and expense during the accreditation process if this agreement is constructed properly.

We know you are committed to developing a better agreement and we would like to work with you. We ask that one of our members be a part of the team that develops this new agreement. One of our members would be in a position to provide information on how components of the agreement would impact our programs. Such expertise will strengthen the document and help ensure support from the educator preparation programs regarding the requirements it will place on our programs.

Again, we appreciate you keeping us informed and want to work with you to make this new agreement excellent. We will identify a member to work with you as soon as necessary.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

The SUED Deans