

September 21, 1998

**MEMORANDUM**

To: Presidents  
NC Community College System

From: H. Martin Lancaster, President  
NC Community College System

Subject: **INVITATIONAL CONFERENCE - October 23-24, 1998**  
***Shaping the Future: New Expectations for undergraduate***  
***Education in Science, Mathematics, Engineering, and***  
***Technology (SMET)***

I call your attention to a collaborative venture between the National Science Foundation (NSF), the North Carolina Community College System, NS State University, and Wake Technical Community College.

This is a great opportunity to become better informed about the status of undergraduate SMET education nationally. As co-host of this conference, I personally invite your college to be an active participant.

The conference goal is to develop a *blueprint* to guide collaborative efforts to improve science education in North Carolina. The “*Shaping the Future*” report called special attention to the role of two-year institutions in teacher preparation, and for collaborations between community colleges and universities.

Please contact Carolyn Girardeau at extension 453 for more information. I look forward to your participation.

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