



**NORTH CAROLINA COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM**  
*H. Martin Lancaster, President*

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

January 25, 2005

To: Presidents  
Vice Presidents/Deans of Instruction  
Vice Presidents/Deans of Student Services  
Resource Development Officers

From: Kenneth L. Whitehurst, Associate Vice President  
Academic and Student Services

Re: 2005 Request for Proposals for Learn and Earn (Early/Middle College High Schools)

The request for proposal for planning grants to establish Early College High Schools and/or Middle College High Schools will be released during the College Tech Prep 2005 Spring Conference at the Koury Center, Greensboro, NC. The second cohort of Learn and Earn proposals will result in the selection of fifteen (15) planning sites for the 2005 – 2006 year. Successful planning sites will be eligible to apply for implementation grants for the 2006-2007 school year.

The College Tech Prep Conference will include a workshop to explain the proposal process and provide technical assistance for proposal development. These **Learn and Earn Planning Proposals will be due April 29, 2005.** Early College High School funding is provided through the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation and appropriations from the North Carolina General Assembly. For additional information, visit the New Schools Project website at <http://www.newschoolsproject.org> or contact the New Schools Project staff at 919/781-6833, ext. 124.

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