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Dear Lake County Superintendents and Directors of Curriculum / Instruction and Support:

I would like to make you aware of a very special, unique, inquiry-based, STEM Program called Stem Matrix that has been quietly receiving wonderful reviews in one of our Northern Illinois Communities where 11 elementary schools were served this past school year. Stem Matrix provides all program materials, classroom Stem Mentors, a valuable program currency and an exciting end-of-year interschool competition, it makes very minimal demands on district personnel. The attached short film and overview do a nice job of telling the Stem Matrix story.

I recently met with Gerry Walanka, who heads Stem Matrix and I am impressed with the grasp this program appears to have on what is needed to successfully engage children in essential STEM learning directions at the 4th and 5th grade levels. Importantly, this program is designed to blend with and compliment any school's current level of science and STEM instruction. My hope is that you will make time to meet with Gerry and his team to hear more about Stem Matrix.

I have provided Gerry with your contact information and hope you can set aside time to explore this opportunity.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Roycealee J. Wood".

Roycealee J. Wood, Regional Superintendent of Schools
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