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**Adopt A Class, in Collaboration with Middletown City Schools and the City of Middletown,
Awarded the Ohio Industry Sector Partnership (ISP) Grant**

Middletown, OH – February 6, 2024 – Adopt A Class, together with Middletown City Schools and the City of Middletown, is proud to announce the receipt of the Ohio Industry Sector Partnership (ISP) Grant. This prestigious award highlights their shared commitment to advancing educational excellence and workforce development within the Middletown community and beyond.

The ISP Grant is aimed at supporting initiatives that encourage collaboration between local businesses, educational institutions, and community stakeholders. These collaborations are designed to create workforce solutions that cater to the specific needs of Ohio's diverse industry sectors, facilitating the entry of Ohioans into the workforce pipeline while addressing the demands of job creators and enhancing the local economy.

"It's important that we encourage collaboration throughout communities so we can train our students with the skills businesses in their regions need and expose them to opportunities available in their own backyards," stated Lt. Governor Husted. This endorsement underscores the significance of the grant in bridging the gap between education and industry, ensuring that students are well-prepared to meet the demands of the current job market.

"This grant is a significant acknowledgment of our concerted efforts to forge meaningful connections between students and the professional world," said Sonya Fultz, Chief Executive Officer of Adopt A Class. "In collaboration with Middletown City Schools and the City of Middletown, we are dedicated to enriching our children's educational journeys and preparing them for successful futures."

The ISP Grant will be used to expand existing programs and launch new initiatives that introduce students to various career paths, with a focus on high-demand sectors within Ohio. The aim is to offer hands-on learning experiences and direct engagement with local businesses and professionals.

The ISP Grant not only acknowledges the innovative approach of Adopt A Class and its partners but also sets a benchmark for similar collaborations across the state and the nation. As this initiative progresses, it promises to revolutionize the mentorship landscape, equipping students with the necessary tools to navigate and excel in the evolving world of work.

To celebrate this achievement and share our exciting plans, we cordially invite you to a special reception:

Date: Tuesday, February 13, 2024

Time: 10:00am

Location: University of Cincinnati Digital Futures Building, Room 104

About Adopt A Class

Founded in 2003, Adopt A Class (AAC) is a non-profit organization with a vision of a Greater Cincinnati and Northern Kentucky where all students have access to caring adults who expose them to a breadth of life and career experiences so they can unleash their full potential. Currently, over 380 business and community groups mentor close to 10,000 students in Greater Cincinnati and Northern Kentucky. To learn more, visit aacmentors.org.

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