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Mr. Jason Hurst
Columbia Engineering
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RE: Mr. Roger Grant's volunteer work with Chattahoochee Elementary

Dear Mr. Hurst,

I am writing to express my sincere appreciation for the volunteer collaboration of Mr. Roger Grant with a group of our second grade students. Our students were concerned with erosion taking place near the stream behind our school. Mr. Grant graciously worked with the students to help them understand how erosion occurs and to develop a plan of action. He then provided them with information necessary for them to make decisions about how many plants would be required, the costs associated with the project, and a list of indigenous plants from which to choose.

He recommended the nursery that we used and then delivered the plants to Chattahoochee. Mr. Grant then generously helped the students implement their plan by showing them how to plant the plants and to care for them afterwards.

It is much easier to do the work for students of this age than it is to show them how to do it themselves. However, this takes the learning away from the students. It takes a special person to patiently coach 27 students through a project of this magnitude. Mr. Grant did an exceptional job with these children. His strong tutelage allowed them to accomplish their goal of reducing erosion, master the second grade environmental standards, and feel a sense of pride in solving an authentic problem.

Columbia Engineering is very fortunate to have such a knowledgeable employee with a strong, unselfish commitment to community. Mr. Grant provided the brains and brawn necessary to complete the project. The children really enjoyed working with and learning from him. We appreciate the continued support of Columbia Engineering to the students of Gwinnett County Public Schools.

Sincerely,

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Jeff Lee, Principal
Chattahoochee Elementary School

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