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K-64 PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT FORMALIZED WITH SIGNING CEREMONY

NEWTON, NC – A signing ceremony formalizing the K-64 partnership agreement among the educational initiative's seven founding organizations took place during the March 22 Future of Catawba County Summit hosted by the Catawba County Chamber of Commerce. The agreement was signed by each organization's senior executive and board chair.

Pictured (L-R): Mick Berry, County Manager, Catawba County; Darrell Johnson, Board Chair, Catawba County Chamber of Commerce; Scott Millar, President, Catawba County Economic Development Corporation; Dr. David Stegall, Superintendent, Newton-Conover City Schools; Lindsay Keisler, President & CEO, Catawba County Chamber of Commerce; Randy Isenhower, Chair, Catawba County Board of Commissioners, Jeanne Jarrett, Board Chair, Newton-Conover City Schools; Dan Timmerman, Board Chair, Catawba County Economic Development Corporation; Reginald Hamilton, Board Chair, Hickory Public Schools; David Brittain, Board Chair, Catawba County Schools; Dr. Matthew Stover, Superintendent, Catawba County Schools; Dr. Robbie Adell, Superintendent, Hickory Public Schools; Dr. Garrett Hinshaw, President, Catawba Valley Community College; and Charles Preston, Board of Trustees Chair, Catawba Valley Community College.

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About K-64

K-64 is a new educational and economic development initiative that prepares students of all ages with the skills needed to compete in the global economy with a focus on six priority areas: 1-to-world technology, character development, tech-savvy educators, work-based learning, employer engagement, and career adaptability. The initiative builds on what's already working in Catawba County by expanding and implementing model programs throughout the local education system in collaboration with local employers and community partners. K-64 is governed by a 12-member board of directors and managed by Catawba Valley Community College. For more information, contact Dr. Garrett Hinshaw, President, Catawba Valley Community College, at (828) 327-7000.

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