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Guilford Education Alliance Leader Testifies at US Senate Committee Hearing on Innovations in Education

Guilford County, NC:

Guilford Education Alliance Executive Director **Dr. Margaret Arbuckle** will speak at the Field Hearing of the U.S. SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS regarding Innovations in Education. Dr. Arbuckle was invited by Senator Kay Hagan to report on innovations in Guilford County Schools, particularly as relates to differentiated pay for teachers, the Mission Possible program implemented in 2006 and continuing in 30 Guilford County Schools this school year.

Dr. Arbuckle will be part of a panel of educational leaders from across North Carolina speaking at the Hearing on Monday, April 19, 2010 at 11 AM at the E.E. Waddell High School in Charlotte, North Carolina.

Joining Dr. Arbuckle will be **Shivam Mallick Shah**, Director of Special Initiatives, Office of Innovation & Improvement , US Department of Education, Washington, DC; **Rebecca Garland**, Chief Academic Officer, North Carolina Department of Public Instruction, Raleigh, NC; **Ann Blakeney Clark**, Chief Academic Officer, Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools, Charlotte, NC; **Bryan Setser**, Executive Director, North Carolina Virtual Public Schools, Raleigh, NC; **Karl Rectanus**, Leader, NC STEM Community Collaborative, Durham, NC; and **Mary McCray**, Teacher, Community House Middle School & local president of the Charlotte Mecklenburg Association of Educators, Charlotte, NC.