Santa Rosa County School District Race to the Top – District Project G² Executive Summary

Project G² (*from Good to Great*) incorporates broad stakeholder input and collaboration for the development of Santa Rosa County School District comprehensive and coherent reform vision *To prepare each student in Santa Rosa County School District to be globally competitive, college and career ready citizens through personalized learning in a 21st Century environment through highly effective teachers prepared to teach 21st Century skills. SRCSD is requesting \$26.16 million from the US Department of Education, Race to the Top – District program. The program match from external partners and the district is being finalized and will be delivered upon grant completion.*

Project G² creates Personalized Learning Environments by providing handheld technology with integrated resources for school and home to all SRCSD students; implements Project Based Learning for middle and high school students through Career Academies; develops a technology platform for instructional improvement; provides extended day tutoring for lowest performing schools; offers creative parent engagement programs; promotes total child wellness; and creates unique professional development activities and resources for teachers.

Santa Rosa County School District will build on its success in four core educational assurance areas:

- 1. Assessment of students and teachers;
- 2. Robust data systems that measure student growth, and provide data to teachers, parents and principals to individualize resources for student improvement;
- 3. Recruit, develop, reward, and retain effective teachers and principals, especially where they are needed most; and
- 4. Implement creative approaches to improve lowest-achieving schools.

Project G² goals include:

- ✓ Total Child Wellness for Optimum Student Achievement (federal programs, extended day tutoring, wrap-around services, parent engagement, Pre-K)
- ✓ College and Career Ready Students (Project Based Learning Academies Robotics, Agri-Tech, career skills, career exploration, AICE)
- ✓ **G**² Accountability and Efficacy (Evaluation, Stakeholder Engagement, Implementation and Management)
- ✓ Personalized Learning for Effective Teachers and Principals (Professional Development, technology platform to link student achievement to evaluation system)
- ✓ Personalized Learning for Students (student software, portal implementation, teacher training on software, portals and handheld technology for students)