



ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY

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Mayor Kenny J. Evans  
Town of Payson  
303 N. Beeline Hwy  
Payson, AZ 85541

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Dear Mayor Evans:

This letter is to confirm our recent discussions concerning the possible development of one of the planned Colleges @ ASU in Payson.

Based on our preliminary studies of the potential for the area and on your identification of potential resources to support the development of a College, we have agreed that we will begin a more intensive evaluation and planning effort to determine if a College is feasible and desirable in Payson. We will work together on such a plan, and if we determine that such a project is feasible, our goal is to produce a more detailed Memorandum of Understanding by no later than March 15, 2010. If during this period, either party determines that it is not feasible to proceed, they each agree to provide prompt and timely notification to the other party of said determination.

The MOU will include the terms for the partnership, including the nature of the College that would be built, its planned programs, the timetable, and source and nature of resources that will be required of ASU, the Town of Payson, and the Payson community. It will also include an outline of the approval processes needed from the Arizona Board of Regents or state and local government entities.

During this period of time, ASU and Payson each agree that they will not solicit other partners or pursue other plans regarding an undergraduate college in that part of the State.

This agreement does not preclude discussions and efforts by both ASU and Payson to work with and strengthen the community colleges in the region and the university's programmatic relationships with those community colleges. We all view a strong and productive community college system as an asset to the future success of the Colleges @ ASU.

Please let me know if this letter is an accurate reflection of our conversations by an acknowledgement letter or by signing a returning a copy of this letter.

We all look forward to working together on this planning and evaluation process.

Sincerely,

Richard Stanley  
Senior Vice President and University Planner

- c: Michael Crow, President, Arizona State University
- Steve Miller, Deputy Vice President of Public Affairs
- David Young, Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs, Arizona State University