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Dr. Kudrenko,

We send you greetings at the start of a new academic year and hope it will be a successful year. Mary Garner, Tatiana Rudchenko and I at Kennesaw State University are excited to continue our research collaboration entitled "A Cross-Cultural Comparison of Extra-Curricular Activities in Mathematics for High School Students in the Ukraine and the U. S."

Earlier we wrote you about a webinar that was conducted on April 3rd and 4th in which faculty and administrators from colleges and high schools in the Ukraine shared their experiences in developing mathematical talent and creativity in schoolchildren. The webinar was part of a collaborative study that involves researchers at Kennesaw State University in the United States and Sumy State Pedagogical University named after A.S. Makarenko in the Ukraine. We hope that our study will provide insight into how universities and high schools can collaborate to effectively develop mathematical talent.

We are writing to thank the following people for translating into English the webinar transcript and contributing their knowledge and time for developing and providing special survey among high school teachers in Mathematics, High School students and their parents:

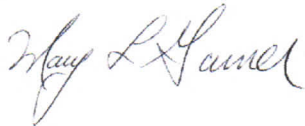
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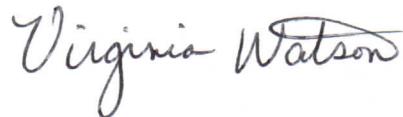
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We hope that this webinar marks the beginning of a series of collaborative projects that will enrich the knowledge of students in the U.S. and the Ukraine, and that will promote the identification and development of mathematical talent in all schoolchildren.

Sincerely,



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