

Other examples of *Partnership Programs with K-12 Schools* [7]

- **Professional Development Partnership Program** - The goals of this program are to strengthen relationships and shared responsibilities in the initial preparation of teachers, counselors, principals, and other support personnel for professional development as catalysts for learning; enhance and support public school student learning and faculty/staff professional development through collaborative experiences; extend and improve the social-based components of both initial preparation and continuing professional development by creating a governance structure that is inclusive of all parties in the partnership; strengthen the linkage between theory, practice of teaching and learning, and research activities which can bring clarity and definition to the mission, goals and assessment of the partnership's outcome; focus and share resources of the university, schools and communities to improve curricula, initial teacher preparation, collaborative faculty development, and maintenance of high quality career teachers, and create a proactive community of educators, students, business/corporate entities who can work together to best prepare all teachers for a diverse population and who can use technology effectively in teaching and learning.
- A&T faculty are routinely involved and actively engaged in visiting schools and participating in programs, lectures, panels on public education. Most recently the local newspaper hosted a community forum on public schools and experts from A&T participated in this countywide forum. The local community routinely calls on A&T experts in this arena.