

## **Proposed Alliance: “Joining Hands to Lift Students”**

*An alliance of the businesses, municipal and school communities of Tupelo.*

The proposed “**Joining Hands to Lift Students**” would create an alliance including Tupelo Public School District, city and business members, along with community members, to help in supporting public education.

This effort would certainly need collaboration and planning but would have the potential to positively support Tupelo’s future as well as a successful public education program.

A new Tupelo vision program would need to be outlined with action items to strengthen Tupelo’s competitiveness with surrounding communities. Tupelo will need to retain existing businesses, community members, students, as well as encourage others to locate in the city.

Overall, this alliance would show a broad support base for our community and provide funding to make the necessary changes to improve our city, public education, and local businesses.

As an initial step in this process, a Resolution of Appreciation will be presented to the Board of Trustees at their February 14<sup>th</sup> board meeting, which has been signed by parents and community members. It reads:

***Be it hereby resolved;***

***That the following parents and other community members would like to officially express appreciation and support to the Tupelo Public School District (TPSD). We appreciate the work and time school administrators, teachers, and employees dedicate to the success of students in Tupelo and pledge our continued service within the TPSD because we know as we support one another, our children are better prepared to succeed in the future.***

***TPSD, thank you again for your sincere efforts on behalf of our children.***