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Camden Superintendent makes statement on abilities of Camden's "incredible young people"

Friday, September 14, 2018 – Office of the Superintendent, Camden, NJ – Today Acting Superintendent Katrina McCombs issued the following statement in response to comments by Holtec International CEO Dr. Kris Singh published September 13, 2018:

"I know Camden students are capable of thriving in the workplace, because I was one. As Superintendent, I reject the statements made by Holtec that question the diligence, ability, and determination of our students and residents. Our students face prejudice and unfair assumptions daily, and despite this adversity they move on to become doctors, lawyers, community leaders, and even Superintendents.

"I have written to the Holtec CEO to remind him there is an open offer on the table to collaborate with the District's Career and Technical Education Program to develop an apprenticeship and job training program that will prepare our incredible young people for success in careers at Holtec or wherever else their talent takes them.

"We hope that the recent comments start a dialogue about how all residents in our City – corporations, students, and non-profits – can work together to build each other up and see Camden rise."