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The University of Kansas, [Achievement and Assessment Institute](https://aai.ku.edu/) will serve as the research partner in the development of the Rural Vitality Center (RVC). Specifically, the [Center for Public Partnerships and Research](https://cppr.ku.edu/) will work with RVC to design and conduct a research and evaluation program on the components of RVC, including the Experimental Learning Center, VIBE Interactive, and Future Service Leaders.  The research agenda will be developed in partnership with RVC Leadership, parents, school districts, and community members. Additionally, the [Center for Evaluation and Educational Leadership](https://aai.ku.edu/centers/ceel) will act as a collaborative partner to define the educational outcomes and implementation strategies.

Sincerely,



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