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Principal Bickford, Superintendent McCoy, and Mr. Saulnier,

We would like to recognize and commend your librarian Sarah Arsenault for her participation in the Collaboratory Makerspace at the 2018 NH Christa McAuliffe Technology Conference (CMTC). The NH School Library Media Association sponsored the Collaboratory Makerspace as a professional learning space where conference attendees interact with many maker activities to take ideas back to their own practice. We used Sarah's submission, *Cardboard Tube Characters*, as one of our make it stations for attendees, providing them with all they needed to complete this hands-on project.

The maker movement is exciting, yet often intimidating for many educators, and the Collaboratory Makerspace provided attendees with hands-on experiences with inexpensive activities that they can easily recreate in their own schools. Sarah's volunteer work in the Collaboratory Makerspace gave attendees a chance to connect directly with someone who is successfully integrating maker activities.

In closing, we wish to congratulate and thank Sarah for providing an opportunity for CMTC attendees to experience maker education, discuss implementation strategies, and discover resources for more information. Providing professional development is a priority for the NH School Library Media Association. With educators like Sarah, our professional development opportunities are strengthened.

Regards,
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