



Solutia Education Connection Program Technology for Alabama Schools

- What:** Solutia Fund program to provide computers and/or related technology to public schools in and near Alabama communities with Solutia plants - Anniston, Decatur & Foley
- Why:**
- * Strengthen company ties to Alabama communities.
 - * Respond to community needs identified by leadership
 - * Prepare Alabama students for future technology based opportunities
- Rationale:** Supporting Solutia Fund's long-term commitment to science & technology education for benefit of communities in which it has a significant presence, in which its employees live and from which its future employees will come
- Where:**
- Anniston: Calhoun, Cleburne, St. Clair & Talladega Counties
Decatur: Morgan, Lawrence & Limestone Counties
Foley: Baldwin County
- Who:** All public schools & school districts [county & city] eligible
- Program:**
- * Offer to provide computers and/or related technology to improve technology access and programs, especially in sciences
 - * Solutia to work with small teams of educators from each school district to determine needs & how Solutia can best help
 - * Seek projects with broad impact within school district, complementing or expanding science & technology curriculum
 - * Priority on programs at high school level, but not restricted
 - * Initial program components in place by Fall 1999 or before
- Timing:** 3 year program commitment

Funding.

- * Solutia Fund
- * \$250K/year

Selection.

- * Small team of educators & Solutia plant employees for each school district to review needs and develop brief proposal; site manager to be member of each team
- * CAP members to be included as appropriate
- * Final decisions to be made by Solutia Fund

Endorsement.

- * Endorsements by Alabama State Department of Education, Alabama Education Association & Alabama Association of School Boards