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I strongly support the Strong Start program, as it plays a critical role in laying a solid foundation for success. The decision students make to pursue higher education is a significant one, setting them on a path to becoming valuable members of both our community and our country. Many students who benefit from the Strong Start program come from loving homes, but often without access to the educational resources or support systems needed to navigate college life.

The program empowers these students to quickly and confidently engage with the college culture, and the data shows that it significantly enhances their chances of success. Investing in this program is not only a smart financial decision but also an investment in the long-term success of our students and society.