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USF CONNECT Partners with Microsoft BizSpark to offer Microsoft Tools to Startups

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USF CONNECT has been asked by Microsoft to partner to offer Microsoft BizSpark, a new program that unites startups with global entrepreneurial and technology resources, with a common goal of supporting and accelerating the success of a new generation of high-potential startups.

BizSpark is uniquely designed to help startups engaged in software development to jump start their business by providing them with “express access” to Microsoft tools and technologies, for their immediate use in design, development, testing, demonstration, and hosted application production and deployment.

This partnership grants USF CONNECT the ability to provide more resources to high-tech startup companies in the community. An information session will be held on Thursday, February 26th at 3:00pm at USF CONNECT. Representatives from Microsoft will be available to answer any questions. To register for the information session, please contact USF CONNECT at mail@connect.usf.edu or 813.866.3802.

For more information about eligibility criteria and to enroll in Microsoft BizSpark, please visit www.microsoft.com/bizspark. For more information about USF CONNECT, please visit www.usfconnect.org.

USF CONNECT fosters entrepreneurship in the Tampa Bay region. Its focus is to help meet the needs of Tampa Bay biotechnology and life sciences entrepreneurs at all stages of their business life cycle. The Tampa Bay Technology Incubator, a program of USF CONNECT, currently houses hi-tech startup companies that employ more than 100 employees and have received more than \$9 million in funding. The Tampa Bay Technology Incubator is located in the USF Research Park of Tampa Bay, recipient of the Emerging Research Park of the Year Award.

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