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**Chevron Donates \$26,000 to Northshore Technical Community College
to Provide Enhanced STEM Programming**

Initiative offers hands-on learning and introduces high school students to career opportunities.

Lacombe, LA – (Oct. 14, 2020) – Chevron has donated \$26,000 to [Northshore Technical Community College \(NTCC\)](#) to fund four innovative STEM programs in partnership with [St. Tammany Parish Public Schools \(STPPS\)](#). The initiatives include a special workforce-readiness certification for high school students, a mobile lab, outdoor classrooms on NTCC’s Lacombe Campus and a variety of math boot camps.

“For years, Chevron has supported STEM education in Louisiana and around the world,” said Dr. William S. Wainwright, Chancellor of NTCC. “They are committed to encouraging students to explore experiences and opportunities in the fields of science, technology, engineering and math they may not have considered. This will serve as a great foundation as they embark on their careers and help ensure their future success.”

Through the partnership with Chevron, NTCC will offer an array of professional certifications from The National Coalition of Certification Centers to high school students on NTCC campuses, as well as within the St. Tammany Parish Public School system. Young men and women will receive training and education on relevant workforce skills, as they work toward their chosen certification.

“This process introduces students to a wide array of career opportunities and allows them to take a deep dive into each career option through hands-on displays, detailed job descriptions and examples of local salary ranges for each role,” Wainwright said.

“We are excited to continue our partnerships with Chevron and Northshore Technical Community College and offer more options to our students,” said STPPS Assistant Superintendent Amiee Lemane. “STEM education provides many opportunities for students, and we know these programs will be beneficial for the entire St. Tammany community.”

As part of the investment Chevron is making in STEM education with NTCC and STPPS, Mobile STEM and Mechatronics Labs will be enhanced. These 28-foot trailers - filled with state-of-the-art, hands-on activities - will travel to various locations throughout St. Tammany Parish to help connect with both in-person and virtual students.

“Hands-on opportunities make learning so much more fun and impactful for students,” said Leah Brown, Public Affairs Manager for Chevron’s Gulf of Mexico Business Unit. “If you ask anyone working in STEM where their passion for the field began, you will likely hear stories of a special teacher or experience that sparked their interest early on. That’s why we’re committed to providing students and teachers with the tools they need to explore STEM and cultivate passions that will last a lifetime.”

To address the “COVID Slide,” a phenomenon that many students are experiencing due to long-term distance and virtual learning, Chevron is also sponsoring math bootcamps. This program will help students get up-to-speed on math curriculum, teach them how to incorporate it into everyday life, as well as spark excitement for the subject.

Through Chevron’s donation, students will also have access to existing outdoor classrooms at Northshore Technical Community College, which will make activities like water quality management and oxygen experiments more accessible.

In addition to these programs, Chevron also recently donated \$50,000 to St. Tammany Parish Schools in March to expand robotics teams and clubs throughout the parish. These efforts are just a few of the many ways that Chevron contribute to the Northshore community.

For details on Chevron’s charitable investments in Louisiana and along the Gulf Coast, [click here](#). For more information on these programs and other information on NTCC, [click here](#).

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About Northshore Technical Community College

Northshore Technical Community College (NTCC) is a comprehensive college with a rich history of providing workforce training and academic pathways to universities across the state of Louisiana. Beyond the traditional classroom and workforce training opportunities, NTCC provides opportunities for students seeking our Adult Education, ESL, and YouthBuild programs. NTCC is comprised of its Main Campus in Lacombe, Hammond Area Campus, Florida Parishes Campus in Greensburg, Sullivan Campus in Bogalusa, and the new Livingston Parish Campus in Walker. In 2015, NTCC was recognized by the Brookings Institute as the first in the nation for economic value of its graduates. The Chronicle of Higher Education named NTCC in 2019 as seventh fastest growing colleges from 2007-2017. NTCC was also awarded the Top 50 Places to Work in New Orleans by the Times-Picayune in 2018, 2019, and 2020. If you would like more information about the Northshore Technical Community College, check us out at northshorecollege.edu.