It Took A Village

Within Gov. DeSantis’ 2021 Florida Leads state budget, signed last Tuesday, were two projects totaling $9.7 million, that will expand workforce training opportunities for high school and adult education students in Hernando. A stand-alone career and technical college will break ground this fall on the property near the Brooksville – Tampa Bay Regional Airport. The second project will bring $350,000 to the Criminal Justice Program at Nature Coast Technical High School. Students in the Criminal Justice Program will experience a new P/T training area, lab space for forensic instruction and an interactive law enforcement simulator.

While it has long been a priority of our school board to bring students more career options and to enhance Hernando’s local economic development, it took many to get it done. We are deeply thankful for the support of Sen. Wilton Simpson and Rep. Dr. Ralph Massullo who were instrumental in getting these projects to the Governor’s desk.

Community Partner Powers Up Learning at Central

This month, representatives from Withlacoochee River Electric Cooperative surprised us with a generous donation of more than $120,000 for adult education and Career and Technical Programs at Central High. WREC Representatives, David Gonzalez and Dave Lambert were invited to a celebration at the school to recognize their contribution. Central will upgrade instructional resources and equipment for 5 programs that will allow these programs to grow, offering students opportunities to learn skills and earn industry certifications which can translate to college credit or savings on future career training.

Message from the Superintendent, John Stratton

Taking Your Support To Heart

This community believes in our schools. We know this because of our growing enrollment, the results of our 2021 Parent Survey and because of the support from Hernando voters. But we do not rest on those indicators and it does not mean we stop looking for ways to strengthen our relationships with parents, community leaders and business partners. In fact, this summer we will be activating a new tool to connect anyone who has a question or concern about the school district to the staff member most qualified to assist. Look for information about “Let’s Talk” dropping into your inboxes soon. We plan to bring as many solutions to the challenge of getting accurate and reliable information to our stakeholders as we can. Until then, please contact us if you have any questions or concerns. You can call 352-797-7000 or email to Student Services at calvert_f@hcsb.k12.fl.us.

Stay well, friends.