



Celebrating CTE



In February, Economic Development and your local Career and Technical Education (CTE) program celebrated CTE month. On Fridays., local students had the opportunity to attend Career Cafes focused towards CTE certification programs.

At this time, we would like to thank Ft. White and Columbia High School along with the following businesses for their participation and support:

1. AgroLiquid
2. Atris Technology
3. HCA Lake City
4. ClearSky Rehabilitation Hospital
5. Comfort Suites
6. Hampton Inn
7. Jacksonville Sheriff's Office
8. New Millennium
9. Sharrah's RV Park
10. CareerSource North Central FL
11. Haymar Group
12. Columbia County Fire and Rescue
13. The Airforce
14. The Marines

By celebrating CTE Month, we acknowledge the importance of educational pathways in empowering students, boosting local economies, and addressing skills gaps in various industries. It's a time to advocate for continued support and investment in CTE programs, ensuring that students have access to the education and training needed to thrive in their chosen careers.

The Career Cafes are smaller more intense job events where students are able to have more one-on-one conversations with employers, followed by a brief presentation on soft skills, resumes, and how to fill out an employment application. If you are interested in participating in a Career Cafe please contact Tiara Arline 386-758-4878, Angela Coppock 386-758-4877 or Van Brown 386-758-3355.

Did you know?

The Bellamy Road was the first major US federal highway. Built shortly after Florida became a United States Territory, John Bellamy offered to construct his portion for \$13,500.

The road was constructed between the Ochlockonee River and St. Augustine and was completed in 1826. It linked St. Augustine to Tallahassee and served as a major part of Florida's early infrastructure.

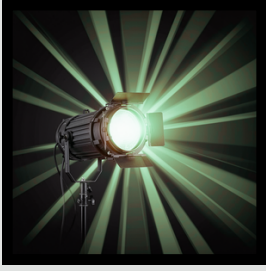
What is Economic Development?

Economic Development isn't just about big business. Economic Development involves our entire community. From the local mom and pop establishments that are always there when we need them to the Friday Night Lights celebrations that bring us together. It also encompasses the large chain stores for those last-minute science projects and school needs. Let's not forget the local parks and recreational activities that are enjoyed on a hot summer day. All of these make up a piece of the economic development puzzle. But there is also one other piece that must be in place prior to all those things, infrastructure.

What is Infrastructure?

Infrastructure is the basic equipment and structures needed for a country, region, or organization to run properly. (i.e. roads, bridges, sewer, etc.) Without the proper infrastructure, business would cease to exist. Nor would a business want to invest where the roads are unkept, or there is a lack of power or sewer to maintain their facility. All of these are vital in sustaining a community and attracting viable business to the area. Tax dollars, grants, loans, all of these are necessary to keep a community alive and thriving.

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