

The School Board of Brevard County
Proclamation
Career and Technical Education Month

WHEREAS: February 2023 has been designated Career and Technical Education Month by the Association for Career and Technical Education; and

WHEREAS: profound economic and technological changes in our society are rapidly reflected in the structure and nature of work, thereby placing new and additional responsibilities on our educational system; and

WHEREAS: career and technical education provides Americans with a school-to-careers connection and is the backbone of a strong, well-educated workforce, which fosters productivity in business and industry, provides a positive contribution to the area's economic stability, and contributes to America's leadership in the international marketplace; and

WHEREAS: career and technical education gives secondary students meaningful experiences in practical applications of basic skills such as reading, writing, mathematics and science thus improving the quality of their education, motivating learning, and giving students leadership opportunities; and

WHEREAS: career and technical education in BPS district schools offers students lifelong opportunities to learn relevant skills, which provide career choices and personal satisfaction; and

WHEREAS: BPS career and technical education programming provides high school students practical experience in meaningful applications and real-world work experiences, allowing them the opportunity to explore and prepare for technical careers, thus improving the quality of their education, motivating at risk populations, and providing students leadership opportunities in their communities; and

WHEREAS: BPS career and technical education programming provides middle school students with the opportunity to explore and develop skills in technical areas, providing experiences that translate into future career interests; and

WHEREAS: the cooperative efforts of career and technical educators with industry to stimulate the growth and vitality of our local economy by preparing graduates for career fields forecast to experience the largest and fastest growth; and

WHEREAS: career and technical education is a tried-and-true solution to ensure that competitive skilled workers are ready, willing, and capable of holding jobs in high wage, high skill, high demand career fields such as STEM disciplines, nursing, allied health, construction,

information technology, manufacturing, aviation, and many other areas that are vital in keeping our nation competitive in the global economy.

NOW, THEREFORE, WE, the School Board of Brevard County, do hereby proclaim February 2023 as

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And recognize the importance of career and technical education in preparing a well-educated and skilled workforce in America; and encourage citizens, educators, counselors, and administrators to promote career and technical education as a valuable option to students.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, the School Board of Brevard County has hereunto subscribed their names on the 7th day of February 2023.

Dr. Robert Schiller, Interim Superintendent

Matthew Susin, School Board Chairman