Legislative Issue FY 24/25 Support for Community Partner Appropriation Requests

Pasco-Hernando State College-PHSC Corporate College at Dr. Dennis Wilfong Citizens Center for Success

Funding Request: \$5,000,000

This initiative is a part of a much-needed workforce and economic development project. Pasco Hernando State College, in conjunction with Hernando County Schools and the Hernando Board of County Commission, have held weekly and monthly collaborations to develop a vocational training center that will produce needed workers for career areas such as pluming, welding, automotive technicians, HV AC employees, construction managers and workers, and aviation specialists (aircraft mechanics, pilots, drone technicians, administrators), healthcare workers, and other vocational employees. These requested funds will be utilized to construct the PHSC Corporate College near the Industrial Park and the Brooksville-Tampa Airport.



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Dr. Dennis Wilfong Center for Success Groundbreaking Ceremony

The Pasco-Hernando State College Corporate College provides high-tech and high-demand training for area businesses and industry partners. A new Corporate College facility is planned for the site of the Dr. Dennis Wilfong Center for Success at the Brooksville-Tampa Bay Regional Airport. This facility is being constructed to develop the talent pipeline needed in the Pasco and Hernando communities and to offer training to help area businesses remain competitive and to remain informed of emerging technologies and the future of work.

The new building is planned to be constructed in two phases. The first phase will house the professional pilot, the airframe and power plant, and electronic vehicle programs. This first phase will also include support space, hy-flex collaborative meeting space and classrooms, as well as an Entrepreneur Academy. The second phase will include emerging technologies, advanced manufacturing, and other corporate and area agency development spaces. PHSC is collaborating with the Wilton Simpson Technical College to offer manufacturing programs where PHSC and WSTC students will work side by side while earning stackable credentials.