

# HERNANDO ADULT EDUCATION

## Employability Skills Portfolio

Every student who attends Hernando Adult Education will have the opportunity to complete an Employability Skills Portfolio. Numerous employer groups, educational organizations, professional associations and federal agencies have identified a set of employability skills they would like to see in their new hires. Hernando Adult Education has created a self directed portfolio for students to complete during their time with us. In addition to their applied academic skills, some of the soft skills covered in the portfolio include:

- Interpersonal Skills
- Personal qualities, such as motivation and positive attitude
- Technology use
- Systems thinking
- Communication Skills
- Information use
- Resource Management
- Critical thinking Skills

## Council on Occupational Education

We are excited to host an accreditation team from the Council on Occupational Education December 5th - 8th. SunTech would like to take the opportunity to introduce the team to some of our tremendous community partners. If being part of the accreditation visit interests you, please contact Sophia Watson or Nicola Barlow at 352-797-7018.

## Literacy Coalition

The Literacy Coalition is open to all Hernando County agencies interested in increasing literacy amongst adults in Hernando County. We meet monthly at our Brooksville Office. If you, or someone from your organization is interested in attending, please call 352-797-7018 for details.



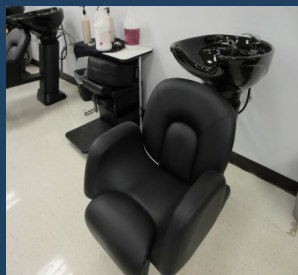
## Read to Me

Special thank you to Laurie Pellito and Debbie Pfenning, who represent the Hernando County Retired Educators Association, for giving up an afternoon to stuff goodie bags for new mothers at Bayfront Spring Hill. The bags stress the importance of early literacy and are filled with new reading books and community resources. The program is part of the Family Learning Initiative, which is a collaborative effort between Hernando Adult Education and the HCS D Parent Academy. A special thank you to our generous sponsors at the Hernando County Education Foundation, Suncoast Schools Credit Union and Staywell. Great work by all!

## Hernando Adult Ed programs include:

- Adult Basic Education
- Community Education
- Co-Enrolled
- English Speakers of Other Languages
- GED Prep courses
- GED Testing Center
- Suncoast Technical Education Center

## Latest News!



*Suncoast Technical Education Center recently embarked on an updated refurbishment of the cosmetology program. New ergonomic sinks and chairs now enhance not just the aesthetic look of the salon but help our clients to maintain good physical health while being pampered in the salon. Good lumbar support, rotating sink and chair sets, and new salon chairs complete the look. Our students researched and were engaged in the selection of the equipment making this a truly student driven experience.*



**Manufacturing area at Suncoast Technical Education Center**

## Manufacturing at SunTech

The new Automation and Production Technology program has been launched as 'Career in a Year' from August 2016. This eleven month course covers Safety; Quality Practices & Measurement; Manufacturing Processes & Production; Maintenance Awareness. Students can become a Certified Production Technician through the Manufacturing Skill Standards Council (MSSC). In addition to this certification we also work with the National Institute of Metalwork Skills (NIMS), and offer extra certifications through this organization. We believe it is essential to give students every opportunity to experience hands on learning across many areas. Our program combines online learning with a unique opportunity to gain skills on drill presses, grinders, lathes and mills.

## Workforce Summit

Suncoast Technical Education Center will be hosting a workforce summit on October 12th, 2016 at the Florida National Guard Armory on Spring Hill Drive. The guest speaker will be John Murphy from Accuform who will lead discussions with employers on workforce trends and soft skills needed in the work place. Our institutional and program advisories will be held with industry partners during the evening, providing advice and insight as to how we should be moving each and every program forward. If you are interested in becoming involved with SunTech please contact Nicola Barlow on 352-797-7091.

***Registration for the Spring Semester is 12/1/2016 - 1/11/2017!***

Mission: The mission of Suncoast Technical Education Center is to specialize in developing and promoting innovative programs to meet the evolving needs of the community.

Vision: Together we will make aspirations a reality.