

Daytona State College Partners with Florida Department of Education for New Workforce Education Initiative
Get There positions career and technical education as solution to workforce needs

DAYTONA BEACH, FLA. (Oct. 9, 2020) – Daytona State College is excited to join forces with the Florida Department of Education (FDOE) for a new workforce education initiative aimed at raising awareness of short-term career and technical education programs. **Get There** Florida highlights the key benefits of the programs available locally in Volusia and Flagler counties and to all Floridians statewide.

“The Florida College System has always played a vital role in training the state’s workforce and providing support for our local businesses,” said DSC President Tom LoBasso. “This initiative highlights many of the programs we offer at Daytona State and it’s a reminder that we are here to help people get back on their feet, or attain the education they need to pursue their career goals.”

Career and technical education, often referred to as “CTE”, serves as a critical component in preparing individuals for occupations important to Florida’s economic development. Program offerings are organized into 17 career paths and are geared toward middle school, high school, district technical school, and Florida College System students throughout the state.

“**Get There** accelerates student success, preparing them for their future and ensuring a talented workforce,” said Kathy Hebda, Chancellor of the Florida College System. “With 28 state colleges and 48 technical colleges and centers spanning the state, there is a program for everyone. Whether you’ve recently experienced job loss, graduated high school or are simply looking for a career change or opportunity to stack your credentials into a degree – we want to help you **Get There.**”

At Daytona State, students can enroll in an in-demand, high-quality workforce program, move quickly, and gain critical skills needed for essential and emerging industries in Volusia and Flagler counties. Programs include:

- Air Conditioning and Refrigeration Technology (HVAC)
- Automotive Technology
- Building Trades and Construction Design
- Machining
- Welding/Advanced Welding

“Career and technical education matters more than ever,” said Henry Mack, Chancellor for Career, Technical and Adult Education. “**Get There** raises awareness about CTE and helps everyone envision the power of a workforce training opportunity for professional and personal wellbeing. By connecting students to a high value credentials at our state colleges, we will be sure to reach our goal of becoming #1 in workforce education by 2030.”

Learn more about CTE and workforce training programs at DaytonaState.edu/wce/.

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