

# WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

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## SCMA, COLLINS AND ARNOLD PROVIDE SUPPLIES TO HIGH SCHOOLS

Southeast Concrete Masonry Association and Collins and Arnold Construction Company have been serving as a resource to the AGC Georgia workforce development initiative by donating supplies

to several local high schools' construction programs.

SCMA President James Cain delivered 42 bags of practice mortar to Dale Hales at Roswell

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High School, Baker Pulliam at Johnson High School in Gainesville, Jeff Bearinger at Lumpkin County High School and Dennis Wilson at Gilmer County High School.

Collins and Arnold Construction Company Superintendent Josh Tupa delivered lumber to Gwinnett County's Maxwell High School of Technology Construction Lab in March.

"The lumber had been used as temporary bracing on Josh's project," Collins and Arnold President Jenny Horton said. "It's the ultimate in recycling!" 



## CONSTRUCTION READY REBRANDS FROM CEFGA, ROLLS OUT PROGRAM WITH JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS

The Construction Education Foundation of Georgia (CEFGA) changed its name to "Construction Ready" in February in conjunction with the construction workforce development association's initial push into neighboring Florida. Construction Ready President and CEO Scott Shelar said the nearly 30-year-old organization wanted a shorter name that also encapsulated its mission.

"We wanted something people could easily remember that very quickly told people who we are and what we do," he said. "We help people get ready for the construction industry — Construction Ready — It's memorable, it's intuitive and it's simple."

Construction Ready has two main programs: a K-12 construction program that prepares students for the work-force and an adult-focused pre-apprenticeship program that allows participants to earn up to eight different industry credentials in addition to being connected to a potential employer.

Shelar noted Construction Ready was tasked with helping develop a workforce through its pre-apprenticeship program for the Jacksonville Jaguars' new \$400 million redevelopment of The Shipyards that will include a new football performance center, hotels, condos and restaurants.



"We come in to bridge the gap between the contractors that need people and the residents that need opportunities," Shelar said. 

AGC Georgia is proud to partner with Construction Ready to advance both our missions of building a sustainable talent pipeline into the commercial construction industry.

# UPCOMING AGC GEORGIA SKILLS CHALLENGE SERIES DATES

**2022**

## Metro Atlanta:

October 25 at the Cobb Civic Center Marietta

## Northeast Georgia:

October 26 at Chicopee Woods Agricultural Center Gainesville

## Central Georgia:

October 27 at State Farmers Market Macon

## Southeast Georgia:

November 2 at Bulloch County Agricultural Complex Statesboro

## South + Southwest Georgia:

November 8 at Sunbelt Ag Expo Moultrie

## Northwest Georgia:

November 10 at Coosa Valley Fairgrounds Rome

## East Georgia:

November 17 at Georgia-Carolina State Fair Augusta

**For more AGC Georgia Skills Challenge information visit [www.agcga.org/skills](http://www.agcga.org/skills)**



## FULTON COUNTY SCHOOLS COLLEGE & CAREER ACADEMY CONSTRUCTION CLASS VISITS ATLANTA AIRPORT

Nearly 20, students and their construction class instructor from the Fulton County Schools College & Career Academy were able to get a first hand view of an active construction site at Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport.

After receiving a request from leadership from FCSCCA, AGC Georgia reached out to find a site within quick driving distance of the student's school in Union City.

The trip allowed the students to tour various areas on an active construction site to learn about the trades that it takes to build a project along with understanding the importance of scheduling and project management.

The Concourse T North Extension project is a joint venture between AGC Georgia member contractor

firms Skanska-New South Construction-FS 360-Synergy (SNFS, A Joint Venture).

It will provide five new gates to the north end of the Central Passenger Terminal Complex. The new extension displaced Delta's Ground Support Equipment building and Fire Station 32, where sitework for the Delta GSE and reconstruction of Fire Station 32 were also provided under this contract.

AGC Georgia extends our deepest appreciation to New South Construction for helping us set up this jobsite tour for the students.

If your jobsite would be a great fit for a student tour, please contact Alyson at 678-298-4106 or [abercrombie@agcga.org](mailto:abercrombie@agcga.org). We'll help you connect with nearby students.



**Northeast Georgia construction teachers share foundation contribution**



**Hall County School Board Presentation**



**Mary Persons High presented Foundation contribution**

## AGC GEORGIA FOUNDATION, MEMBERS SUPPORT HIGH SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION PROGRAMS WITH DONATIONS

Our workforce development alliances are designed to bring Chapter members together with students, high school counselors and construction program teachers, school officials, and instructors from construction programs at technical colleges.

Chapter members take an active role in providing funds to support the various educational activities embraced by the alliances. They also contribute materials, volunteer employees, host career fair booths, demonstrate use of construction equipment, provide speakers and host student field trips on construction jobsites.

Construction teachers involved with the AGC Georgia Northeast Georgia Workforce Development Alliance and are also loyal participants with their students in the region's Skills Challenge. They were presented with checks from the AGC Georgia

Foundation by our regional Skills Challenge champion, Carroll Daniel Construction Company, during a recent Alliance meeting. Carroll Daniel Construction General Superintendent Landon Boyd (pictured top left) is a key organizer of the annual Skills Challenge and presented the funds.

During a Hall County School Board meeting (pictured bottom left), Carroll Daniel Construction Company was on site to present a check to the Northeast Georgia Workforce Development Alliance School Construction Programs at the Hall County Board of Education meeting. The check represents the total dollars contributed by the AGC Georgia Foundation to each school's program. The monies were raised by Carroll Daniel's team during their work to host the 2021 Northeast Georgia Skills Challenge. The Carroll Daniel team raised funds to host the October 2021 Skills Challenge and

portions of net proceeds that are not needed to host the event are then divided up among the participating schools to help the respective instructors to purchase materials needed for their construction lab.

Carroll Daniel Construction also arranged for time on the agenda to explain how the local Hall County Construction teachers are excellent ambassadors that help build sustainable pipelines for future construction professionals by providing curriculum and education opportunities that ready students for rewarding careers in today's construction marketplace.

In our Central Georgia region, AGC Georgia member and Sheridan Construction Co. Director of Marketing and Development Christy Cranford (pictured right) presented an AGC Georgia Foundation check to Mary Persons High School instructor DJ Hurm.