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Amherst County School Board Superintendent Plays Key Role in Obtaining Career Technical Education Grant

In concurrence with Central Virginia Community College (CVCC) officials and local public school board superintendents, Amherst County's Dr. Robert Arnold is proud to announce a recent \$267,181 grant award to CVCC that will help students earn skill based credentials that are required by some employers. The Get Skilled, Get a Job, Give Back Initiative, or G3 Capacity Building Grant, will be attributed towards planning



Dr. Robert Arnold, Amherst County School Board Superintendent

efforts for a regional Career and Technical Education (CTE) Academy. The Academy will be specifically designed for dual-enrollment students, recent high school graduates, as well as unemployed or underemployed adults to earn credentials for targeted industry employment sectors.

Dr. Robert Arnold organized meetings of local school division superintendents and was instrumental in advocating for a collaborative CTE grant application. "Daily, Amherst County Public Schools seeks to provide our students with opportunities that will better prepare them for the world they will soon enter. It has become increasingly clear that, in isolation, a school division alone cannot provide the appropriate level of opportunities to meet all of our students' needs. This is why the collaboration between Central Virginia Community College, five area school divisions, and local business and industry to develop a Regional CTE Center is such

exciting news," said Dr. Robert Arnold, superintendent of Amherst County Schools.

A CTE open house will be held in the summer of 2019 at CVCC to provide information about existing and forthcoming programs and services to the public.

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