



# CAMPBELL COUNTY EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

MAKING EDUCATIONAL AND CAREER OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE TO CAMPBELL COUNTY STUDENTS AS THEY SEEK HANDS-ON, SKILLS-BASED TRAINING FOR HIGH-DEMAND JOBS IN OUR REGION



*In early October, we presented a \$27,000 check at the Campbell County Public School Board meeting, increasing our contributions to \$150,000 since our inception in 2017.*

## Generosity Abounds

We are incredibly thankful for the support from many foundations, businesses and individuals who gave more than \$73,000 last year to support the dual-enrollment CTE program, the Altavista Future Center and college and career programs at Brookville High School, Rustburg High School, and William Campbell Combined School.

Our current campaign kicked off July 1 with an \$81,000 goal. We gratefully announce lead gifts of \$11,700 from the Fray Family Charitable Trust, \$7,500 from Centra Health, \$7,500 from The Al Stroobants Foundation, and \$5,000 from Rustburg Presbyterian Church. During the holidays, we were gifted \$12,000 from the Beverly W. & Hampton O. Powell Foundation and \$6,000 from the Greater Lynchburg Community Foundation, among many others, positioning us well for the 2023-2024 school year.

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## MEET THE BAKERS

Sandra “Sandy” Paris Baker and her husband, Peyton Sanford “Sandy” Baker, have supported CCEF since its inception, last year’s \$6,000 donation making them CCEF’s most generous individual donors to date.



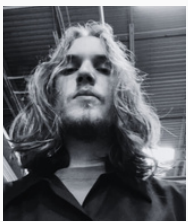
Sandy initially connected with CCEF through her friend and foundation board member Kathy Kaplan when it was created in 2017. She didn’t hesitate to support the mission. “I just know the struggles that high school students have in figuring out what they want to do when they graduate,” said the former school teacher who amassed 35 years of service, her last 10 years as part of Brookville High School’s Special Education Department. “Facilitating them meeting those goals makes all the difference. It’s also important to support students who can’t afford to pay on their own, especially for technical education.”

Her husband Sandy retired in 2017 as President and Chief Executive of BWXT, a top CCEF corporate donor, making Partner level in the last campaign.

In retirement, the couple enjoys spending time with their daughter’s family who live close by. While Mr. Sandy likes to read, watch football and work Sudoku puzzles, his wife stays busy with animal rescue groups and caring for seven rescue cats. The Bakers met in fourth grade, started dating while students at E.C Glass High School in Lynchburg, and continued through college. They have been married 55 years.

Every year, they discuss nonprofits to support that align with their values. “We feel like we were fortunate to have the jobs we had,” Mrs. Sandy said. “We’re fortunate we can enjoy what we earned, and we enjoy sharing it.”

## STUDENTS ON THE MOVE



Carson Eubank, who graduated in 2023 from Rustburg High School, appreciates dual-enrollment classes that taught him how to read blueprints as well as the basics of welding, skills that helped him land a solid first job with Aerofin in Lynchburg.



Makenna Haag said her freshman and sophomore years at Brookville High School were derailed by COVID to the point that school wasn’t a priority. It wasn’t until she took a nurse aide class through the CVCC Regional CTE program that she started liking school again. She enjoyed the hands-on experience gained through her clinicals at a local nursing home and was well prepared for the Virginia Nurse Aide Competency Test. She landed a job at Westminster Canterbury of Lynchburg her junior year and became a full-time dual-enrollment student her senior year. Makenna is now a freshman at James Madison University majoring in nursing and is grateful for the academy’s preparation for college classes. She continues to work at Westminster Canterbury during breaks.



Sam Nauss, who graduated from Altavista Combined School last spring with a certificate in health science, said he’s grateful for the CTE Program’s dual enrollment options in providing a focus for his future study, while the Future Center helped with college prep and logistics, such as filling out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid form, SAT tutoring and even transportation for college visits. Sam is currently pursuing a certification in radiology technology at CVCC while completing his clinicals at area hospitals.

# *A Community Effort*

## CVCC'S NEW TRADES LAB

In continued efforts to cultivate more skilled workers into the workforce, Central Virginia Community College unveiled a new skilled trades lab during a ribbon cutting ceremony in late September. The new space will enhance the community college's existing trade programs, such as HVAC, plumbing and electrical, and help jumpstart additional programs into its curriculum, including heavy equipment operation and construction trades.

CVCC President John Capps noted before giving a tour of the new space that Campbell County leads the way in sending students to the dual-enrollment program. During the tour, Jason Clark, CTE Academy Coordinator, touted program successes, including many students finding pathways to six-figure jobs in areas such as robotic programming and cyber security.

You can find the Oct. 1 story and a video of the ribbon-cutting ceremony that ran in *The News & Advance* can be found at <https://centralvirginia.edu/event/skilled-trades-lab-ribbon-cutting>.

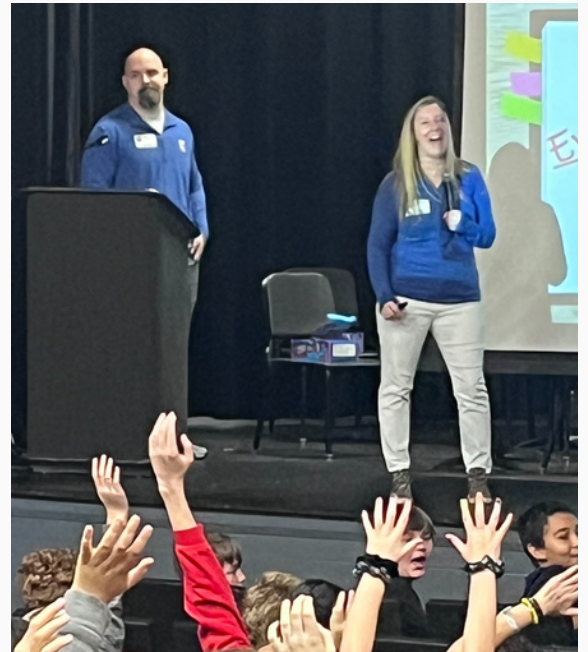


*Ms. Jane Sprouse and an instructor stand in front of a machine in the new lab funded by The Al Stroobants Foundation.*

### **RECENT HAPPENINGS @**

## **ALTAVISTA COMBINED SCHOOL'S FUTURE CENTER**

The Future Center at Altavista Combined School was established in 2021 to help students set post high school goals and get on a track, be it for college, trade school, military service, or the workforce. With one-on-one guidance from mentors and advisors, Altavista students can explore a broad range of opportunities while receiving help with resumes, college essays, SAT prep, and filling out applications for colleges, jobs, and financial aid.



**Clockwise from top left:** Students visit Longwood College; Middle school students learn about work opportunities at BWXT; Students interact with representatives from Abbott; Students pose at the entrance of Hampden-Sydney College.

## 2022-2023 CORPORATE AND FOUNDATION DONATIONS

### **LEADER — \$7,500 AND ABOVE**

The Al Stroobants Foundation  
Centra  
Fray Family Charitable Trust

### **PARTNER — \$5,000 TO \$7,499**

BWXT  
Greater Lynchburg Community Foundation  
Beverly W. & Hampton O. Powell Foundation

### **BENEFACTOR — \$2,500 TO \$4,999**

Moore's Charitable Foundation

### **ADVOCATE — \$1,000 TO \$2,499**

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KVA Foundation  
Merryman Foundation  
Plymale Foundation  
Titmus Foundation  
Treadway Family Fund, in honor of Becky DuFour  
Walmart Foundation/Altavista Walmart Super Center  
Walmart Foundation/Sam's Club Wards Road  
Watt Foster Family Foundation

### **SUPPORTER — \$500 to \$999**

First National Bank  
Georgia Pacific  
Lynchburg Ready Mix Concrete  
Milton Construction  
Select Bank  
Southside Electric Cooperative

### **FRIEND — \$250 TO \$499**

Comfort Systems USA Mid-Atlantic  
Framatome

### **CONTRIBUTOR — \$100 TO \$249**

Ashwell's Tree Service  
Industrial Plating Co.  
Orthodontic Arts  
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Scott Horseman Heating and Air