# Partners-in-Education Program in Hanover County Public Schools

The Superintendent's Business Advisory Committee provides a medium for the exchange of information between the business community and the Superintendent of Schools. The Committee may be asked to evaluate any phase of school business management, provide insight and advice on any educational programs, and promote career education activities. The Committee affords the business community an opportunity to express to the Superintendent perceptions about the education of Hanover's children. The Business Advisory Committee serves to increase understanding and cooperation between Hanover County Public Schools and the business community.

## **Effective Communication for Employment**

Business and community representatives come to the classroom to share with students information about their own careers and to emphasize how dependent their jobs and all jobs are on a strong work ethic and the ability to read, write, and communicate effectively. ECFE partners also frequently provided students with mentoring, shadowing, and service opportunities, thereby exposing students to the world of work and career opportunities. Forty-one speakers, representing 38 businesses, participated in this program.

### Partners-In-Education Program

This program has been going strong since 1985 when there were only 15 business partners and 15 Hanover County schools. Schools have partnership with businesses or community groups. These partnerships vary from recognizing academic achievement and good citizenship to teaming with a school or the school division to enhance and enrich the educational experience of our students.

#### Partners-in-Education Goals

- Enhance the educational experience of all students through greater exposure to the working community.
- Establish a good working relationship between the school and the workplace.
- Involve business in school programs and decisions, which will benefit them.
- Develop and promote linkages from the school to the workplace.
- Provide opportunities to match the needs, interests, and resources of the schools and community.

In May of each year, the Business Advisory Committee sponsors a celebration of our Partners-in-Education program with a luncheon hosted by Kings Dominion. This luncheon is to recognize those businesses and agencies that have served as partners with the school and central service departments or have participated in the Effective Communication for Employment Program in the high schools since the program began.

During the 2011-2012 school year there were 274 formal partnership agreements including 32 business partners with ten or more years of service with Hanover County Public Schools. The Partners-in-Education program is vital to our schools, our students and our community.

The Superintendent's Business Advisory Committee, Hanover County Public Schools and the Hanover County School Board express their deepest appreciation to the many businesses and community organizations that have given freely of their time and resources to enhance the educational experiences of our students. Without their support this program would not be possible.

If you are interested in becoming a business partner with Hanover County Public Schools or would like more information, please call Margaret Hill, Business Partnerships Specialist, at 804-365-4565 or email <a href="mailto:mhill@hcps.us">mhill@hcps.us</a>.

#### The following list represents business partners for 2011-2012:

4 Fickle Friends A C Tire, Inc.

AAA Mid-Atlantic Foundation for Safety & Education

Aesthetic Quest Afton Chemical

American Family Fitness, Inc.

Applebee's Neighborhood Grill & Bar

Arbonne International

Arby's/The Restaurant Company

Ashcake Women's Club Ashcourt Cleaners Ashland Ace Hardware Ashwood Gardens & Nursery

**Atkinson Power Equipment Company** 

Averett University Baker's Crust Barnes & Noble

Battlefield Service Center Beaverdam Auto Repair Beaverdam Quik Stop

Bell Creek Veterinary Hospital

Belle Cottage Ben Franklin Crafts

**Best Buy** 

**Best Western Kings Quarters** 

Blinded Veteran's Association, Richmond Chapter

Body Mechanix
Bondioli & Pavesi, Inc.
Books Are Fun
Boschen Masonry, Inc.
Bottle Delights

**Brandywine Realty Trust** 

Bruster's Ice Cream at Bell Creek

**Buffalo Wild Wings** 

Burkwood Swim and Racquet Club

C & F Bank

Can Do Specialty Printing

Car Pool

Cavalier International, Inc. Chenault Veterinary Service

Chen's Restaurant

Chick-fil-A CiCi's Pizza Coffee Lane

Cold Harbor Family Medicine Coleman Brothers Flowers

Collision One, Inc. Come to Order Cooper's Marine, Inc.

Cracker Barrel of Mechanicsville

D & M Surveyors Dairy Queen Dance Company David Pippin, Inc.

D Signs

Digital Waves, Inc. Duffy's Repair Service Dynamo Soccer Club

Eastern Chickahominy Tribe

Economy Muffler & Auto Care Center Ed's Landscaping and Garden Center

EduCare / Childtime Electro-Luminx Emerald Construction

Essex Bank

EVB

Faith Landmarks Ministries "Love Works" Program

Ferber's Tire and Auto Service

Firehouse Subs

Foley Material Handling Co., Inc.

Food Lion

Franklin Federal Savings Bank

Fruits and Flowers

Fun Bus

Gary Chapman's Auto Giovanni's Pizza Glen Allen Golf Good People Car Wash Graybeale Construction, Inc.

**Great Wraps** 

Hanover Country Club

Hanover Fire-EMS Company No. 2 Hanover Fire-EMS Company No. 9 Hanover Habitat for Humanity Hanover Master Gardeners

Hanover Safe Place

Harrison Moncure Insurance Agency Hazzard Electrical Corporation

Herff Jones

Heritage Green Assisted Living

**Hometown Realty** 

Huntington Learning Center Indulgence Salon & Boutique Islamorada Fish Company Isshin Ryu Karate of Richmond

Italian Kitchen

It's A Breeze Specialties

J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College James River Equipment Company, Inc.

Jean's Stampin' Studio Jersey Mike's Subs

Julie Whitaker Insurance Agency, Inc. Kenwood United Methodist Church

Kohl's

La Nail 360

Connie Lapallo, Author

Lawn Ranger

Learning Connection Lee-Davis Medical Center

Lifetouch National School Studios

Lighthouse Realty, Inc.

Little Caesars Lowe's

Luck Chevrolet Mac's Service Center Martin's Food Markets

Marty's Grill

Master Cho's Tae Kwon Do McDonald's - SKR, Inc.

McDonald's - T. C. Bishop of Southpark

Meadowbridge Auto Service Mechanicsville Animal Hospital

Mechanicsville Music

Mechanicsville Rental Center

Mexico Restaurant Michael Arts & Crafts Mimmo's Restaurant Moe's Southwest Grill

Montpelier Center for Arts and Education

Montpelier Cleaners Moxie Hair Studios Nacho Mama's

New Bethesda Baptist Church

**Noodles & Company** 

**OLA Intervention Services, LLC** 

Organizing Tutor, The Outback Steakhouse Outdoor Services, Inc.

Pampered Chef Consultant, Deborah Palicia Pamunkey Regional Library - Atlee Branch

Pamunkey River Garden Club Papa John's Pizza/PJ United, Inc.

Patrick Buick GMC Patrick Henry YMCA Pepicelli's Pizza, LLC

Performance Physical Therapy & Sports Training

Plantation Peanuts of Wakefield Plumbers & Steamfitters Local No. 10 Poisant Ironworks & Decks LLC Pole Green Church of Christ Popeye's Louisiana Kitchen

Pride of Hanover Masonic Lodge #264

Purvis & Associates, Inc. Quality Assured, Inc.

Qubica AMF

Randolph-Macon College Resource Realty Services

Richmond Electricians' Joint Apprenticeship & Training

Committee

Richmond Flying Squirrels

Richmond Symphony Riverbound Café

RND Venture LLC - Woodcraft

**Ruby Tuesday** 

School of Dance Arts
Seay Real Estate
Sheehy Ford
Sheetz of Ashland
Shockoe Solar LLC
Shoney's Restaurant
Simone's Styling Salon
Skye Bruce Properties
Smart Solution Tutoring, LLC
Specialty's Our Name, Inc.

Stamp Tech, Inc. Starbucks Coffee Co.

Subway SunTrust Bank Super Valu Sweet Frog T.G.I. Friday's

**TDS Talent Developing Studio** 

Texas Roadhouse

The Ozone

The Supply Room Companies, Inc.
This, That and the Other Upholstery

**Transit Lumber** 

Travel Centers of America, Inc. Tropical Smoothie Café & Deli

Truck Source, Inc.

Tucker-Franklin Insurance Union First Market Bank

Village Bank

Virginia Artesian Bottling Company

Virginia Barbeque Company

Virginia Center for Prosthodontics

Virginia Cooperative Extension - Hanover

Virginia Farm Bureau Insurance Virginia Oral & Facial Surgery Wacker Neuson Corporation Walnut Grove Baptist Church

Walnut Grove Children's Learning Center

West End Hair

Whitten Brothers of Ashland, Inc.

Williams Bakery, Inc. Winn's Baptist Church

**Xteriors** 

Young Chef's Academy