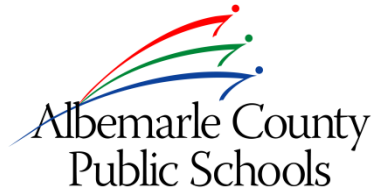


Career and Technical Education Month



WHEREAS, February 2011 has been designated Career and Technical Education Month by the Commonwealth of Virginia; and

WHEREAS, profound economic and technological changes in our society are rapidly reflected in the structure and nature of work, thereby placing new and additional responsibilities on our educational system; and

WHEREAS, career and technical education provides students with a career pathway for postsecondary education and workplace readiness and is the foundation of a strong, well-educated workforce which fosters productivity in business and industry and contributes to Virginia's leadership in the international marketplace; and

WHEREAS, career and technical education gives students experience in practical, meaningful applications of basic skills such as reading, writing, and mathematics, thus improving the quality of their education, motivating high achievement for all students, and giving all students leadership opportunities in their chosen careers in their communities; and

WHEREAS, career and technical education offers individuals lifelong opportunities to learn new skills that provide them with career choices, expanded earning potential, and job satisfaction; and

WHEREAS, the ever-increasing cooperative efforts between career and technical educators, career and technical education administrators, and business and industry representatives stimulate the growth and vitality of our economy and by preparing students for careers in high demand, high wage, and highly technological skilled areas in a global economy;

NOW, THEREFORE, we, the School Board of Albemarle County, do hereby proclaim February 2011 Career and Technical Education Month in Albemarle County.

Signed this 3rd day of February, 2011.

By: _____
Stephen Koleszar, Chairman