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2015 FLATE Awards and Recognitions



High School High Tech Public Partner of the Year

FLATE was recognized at Able Trust's 2015 Annual Conference, Oct. 7-8, 2015. The Able Trust operates the statewide Florida High School/High Tech (HS/HT) initiative, part of a national program model designed to help youth with disabilities transition from secondary school to postsecondary opportunities, including education options and entrance into the workforce. The goals of the Florida HS/HT Program are to reduce the high school dropout rate for youth with disabilities, increase their enrollment in postsecondary education, and increase their participation in employment-related activities that lead to technology-related careers.



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Education Agency of the Year

Dr. Marilyn Barger and FLATE were recognized at the Upper Tampa Bay Manufacturers Association's Third Annual Manufacturers Award Banquet held on Oct. 1, 2015. The Association is limited to and serves 400 regional manufacturers. The Board of Directors is served by an Advisory Support Group consisting of the Upper Tampa Bay Chamber of Commerce, FLMEP, Pinellas County Department of Economic Development and Career Source Pinellas and Tampa Bay.



Career Pathways Partnership Excellence Award

Kuder 2015 Career Pathways Partnership Excellence Award for the Engineering Technology (ET) College A.S. Degree Program and Career Pathways. The award was presented at the NCPN annual conference in Dallas TX. The Career Pathways Partnership Excellence Award emphasizes the importance of career guidance and advising, professional development for educators and employers, and the employer role in providing work-based learning opportunities for students.





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FLATE's Winning Program Overview for the Kuder Career Partnership Excellence Award:

FLATE's versatile career pathway for the Engineering Technology (ET) Degree program integrates the national Manufacturing Skill Standards Council (MSSC) certification, creating an educational model to support Florida's need for a growing advanced manufacturing workforce. The ET program provides a variety of flexible entry points for college and career pathways, and articulates 15 college credit hours for all holders of a current MSSC credential. Secondary students have curriculum and testing options to earn the MSSC credential and either enter college with 15 credit hours toward the ET major and/or be ready to work in a good paying, highly skilled job. Veterans, incumbent workers, and other adult learners have opportunities to earn the credential as part of the ET college program, or through testing and continuing education opportunities: the options for success are many!

