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Dr. Walt Griffin Named Superintendent of Year by Florida Association for Career & Technical Education

(SANFORD, FL) Seminole County Public Schools (SCPS) Superintendent Dr. Walt Griffin has been recognized as the 2019 Superintendent of the Year by the Florida Association for Career & Technical Education (FACTE).

The mission of FACTE, founded in 1926, is to “facilitate the leadership and partnerships essential for the successful preparation of individuals to participate in a world-class workforce.” FACTE promotes career and technical education throughout Florida and provides opportunities for the professional development of career and technical education teachers and administrators.

Each year at its annual conference, FACTE recognizes students and educators who have made outstanding contributions to the advancement of career and technical education. In its announcement of Dr. Griffin’s recognition, the FACTE awards committee cited the significant growth of career and technical education in Seminole County Public Schools, especially the large number of programs that have opened or expanded recently to prepare students for high-demand and high-wage employment. The awards committee was equally impressed with Dr. Griffin’s vision for ePathways (Educational Pathways, the SCPS approach to creating customized learning environments), his support for student attainment of industry certification and internships, his work to develop PSI High (a new high school program focused on solving real-world problems), and his efforts to generate additional funding for Seminole’s CTE programs.

“As Superintendent, Dr. Griffin is expanding opportunities for students to gain employability skills and building a solid talent pipeline in Seminole County that will ensure our community’s economic prosperity for the next generation of graduates and citizens. Dr. Griffin’s vision for an educational system that prepares all students for their future education and career pathway is happening in our schools every day. This award recognizes Dr. Griffin for these achievements, and it also validates all of the investments that our teachers and administrators, our business community, and this School Board are making for the benefit of our students and families,” said Dr. Tina Calderone, SCPS School Board Chairman.

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