



Goettl CEO Donation to CSN Center of Excellence to Support Dual Enrollment Academy Students

The endowment will help students become world-class air conditioning technicians

March 7, 2019 – The College of Southern Nevada Foundation is pleased to announce that Goettl Air Conditioning CEO Ken Goodrich, his wife Wendy and their son Duncan have established a \$250,000 endowment fund through the Goodrich Family Trust intended to help low-income students become world class air conditioning and climate control technicians at CSN’s new state-of-the-art Air Conditioning Technology Center of Excellence.

The scholarship fund will support dual enrollment students, who attend Western High School and CSN’s air conditioning program simultaneously. Those students finish high school with college credits or a certificate of achievement at no cost to them. The endowment will pay for qualified students to complete their associate degree after high school, enabling them to thrive in an industry critical to the southern Nevada economy.

“The strong support that Mr. Goodrich has showed CSN’s air conditioning technology program over the years has made a world of difference for our students,” said CSN President Dr. Federico Zaragoza. “This endowment will mean that students who might not have been able to afford a college degree can now become the next generation of world class technicians. As CSN and CCSD continue to develop dual enrollment academies like this one at Western High School we will see the school-to-career pipelines for juniors and seniors grow and lay a foundation for tomorrow’s world class technical and professional workforce for the region.”

Mr. Goodrich unveiled the donation at the grand opening of CSN’s remodeled Air Conditioning Technology Center of Excellence and Dual Enrollment Academy.

“The Goodrich Family Trust is and will always be a proud supporter of education,” Goodrich said. “I remember enduring many challenges when I first started my career. I stayed focused on doing things the right way, not the easy way and that includes a quality education. I am glad we are in a position to help the next generation of air conditioning, refrigeration and heating technicians, specialists, engineers and managers, whom we all depend on every day.”

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, the demand for trained air conditioning specialists is expected to grow at more than twice the average rate over the next decade. The Air Conditioning Technology Center of Excellence will allow students to meet global industry standards and complete their entire associate degree or certificate in one convenient location. Featuring newly renovated classrooms and laboratories, the center will allow CSN’s students to be trained using the latest techniques on the same technology currently used in business and industry.

About CSN: Founded in 1971, the College of Southern Nevada is the state’s largest and most diverse higher education institution. CSN is accredited through the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities and specializes in two-year degrees and workforce development that lead directly to high-demand careers or transfer to a university. It also offers seven bachelor’s degrees in specialized fields and is the state’s largest provider of adult basic education and literacy training. CSN is a Minority Serving Institution and Nevada’s first Hispanic Serving Institution. Our students create flexible schedules with day, evening and weekend classes taught on three main campuses and multiple locations throughout Southern Nevada or online. CSN is an Equal Employment Opportunity/Affirmative Action institution.