

WEST TECH UPDATES:

As the month of February comes to an end, I would like to share with you a few of the successes that have transpired this month as the WTEC team and supporters continue to press toward the large goal of a full reconstitution of West Technical Education Center. Please see below. I also would like to share with you a bright star among all of the stars that attend West Tech. Ariel Betancourt is a second year student in the Mechatronics Academy that has a bright future in front of him. Please take a minute or two to learn about Ariel through the attached document. CERF

These successes include the/a

- dedication and lighting of the marquee
- submission of four (4) Tuition Grant Applications available through the Everglades Restoration Agricultural Community Employment Training Program
- submission of a Senate appropriations request in the amount of \$1.050 million to support scholarships for adult training programs and equipment upgrades
- touring FAU College of Engineering and participating in an interactive presentation with a retired astronaut
- participating in a live Skype session with an astronaut currently on the International Space Center
- recruitment of adult students for Home Health Aide cohort #2 with classes beginning on March 11th
- engaging the community through presentations about secondary and adult programming offered at WTEC

- hosting potential employers and employment experts on campus with the adult students
- approval of WTEC as an authorized training provider through CareerSource Palm Beach
- facilitation of a successful financial audit of the 2017-2018 books
- development of Small Business Training classes to begin in March (information attached)

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