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ALABAMA BUILDS A STRONGER FUTURE
October is Alabama Careers in Construction Month

Montgomery, Ala. – America’s construction industry and the valuable skills and career opportunities it provides are the focus of a special celebration occurring in our state this month—Alabama Careers in Construction Month.

This month-long celebration has been created to increase public awareness and appreciation for Alabama’s construction industry and building crafts professionals. It will also highlight top career opportunities available in our nation’s construction workforce.

As a part of this event employers, building associations, and local schools statewide will be hosting job fairs and other local community events to inform Alabama’s students about the vast employment opportunities available in construction-related fields.

Construction is one of our nation’s largest industries. More than 5 million Americans work in construction career areas. Alabama has over 150,000 professionals working in this industry.

America’s construction professionals have an important job. They build and design our nation’s infrastructure and also help to maintain it. Because of their efforts, we now have one of the most modern and efficient infrastructures in the world.

The Alabama Construction Recruitment Institute, the National Center for Construction Education and Research (NCCER), and other organizations are working to further the recruitment efforts and professional development opportunities available within this industry. These organizations, along with others in our state, are supporting this month’s celebration.

The ultimate goal is to narrow the skills gap in this industry by informing students about the many rewarding career opportunities that exist in it. According to current research, top construction managers earn more than $145,000 annually. Also, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics projects nearly 1.6 million new construction-related jobs will be available by 2022.

To learn more about the construction industry or building professions, visit the Go Build Alabama website at http://gobuildalabama.com/

To get more information on this year’s Careers in Construction Month celebration, contact Alabama Career and Technical Education Administrator Chris Kennedy at 334-242-9114 or c kennedy@alsde.edu.

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