Galena Park I.S.D. Host First-Ever CTE University

Houston, Texas: On Friday, January 17, Galena Park I.S.D (GPISD) middle school students visited the Ag Facility for the first annual (Career and Technical Education) CTE University. Approximately 1,750 eighth grade students from Cunningham Middle School, North Shore Middle School, Galena Park Middle School, Woodlands Acres Middle School and the Center for Success (CFS) attended CTE University to learn about the different programs offered to high school students.

This event was designed for eighth grade students to learn about the different CTE program offerings, along with JROTC and Fine Arts. For two hours, eighth graders visited booths set up in the Ag Facility to find out more about various CTE opportunities.

Over 175 high school students and 45 teachers from Galena Park High School, North Shore 9th Grade Center, North Shore 10th Grade Center and North Shore Senior High provided eighth graders with many hands-on activities some of which included cooking, changing tires, interacting with robots, learning how to give a manicure and exploring the inside of an ambulance.

“Students are getting their hands dirty; they are smelling what food is like when being prepared by a chef and working on a car with mechanics,” Dr. Marley Morris, CTE Director, remarked.

Opportunities like CTE University are designed to spark the interest of eighth graders to pursue careers in the medical field, welding, culinary, architecture, education or law. These students are the future of our community and Galena Park I.S.D. is determined to help them be successful inside and outside of the classroom.

We would like to thank Community Bank of Texas for sponsoring this event.