



Baptist Hill Middle High School

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Baptist Hill construction program receives support from Southeastern Construction

Hollywood, SC – Baptist Hill Middle High School (BHMHS) students in Darrin Moore’s Construction Technology class received a welcomed surprise Monday, October 24, 2022. Darryl Thornton, of Graycor Southern Inc., arrived carrying a giant check for \$5,500. Principal Michael De Jong was on hand to receive the generous investment.

Thornton serves as a member of the [Southeastern Construction Owners and Associates Roundtable](#) (SCOAR). This support from SCOAR will be used to supplement the BHMHS construction program’s materials expenses as well as provide two \$500 scholarships for post-secondary education and training for completers of Moore’s program of studies.

The students were excited to hear about this support for their program and Thornton was able to speak one on one with several students about local career opportunities during his visit.

“We are so thankful to have business partners such as SCOAR and Graycor Southern that provide Baptist Hill and our students with opportunities in and out of the classroom,” said De Jong. “A special thanks to Darryl Thornton, of Graycor Southern for visiting us and providing us with this monetary donation.”

Next steps for this welcomed partnership include field trips for students in the construction program to see first-hand how the valuable skills they are learning in their classroom provide them with a strategic and timely competitive advantage as they transition to post-secondary opportunities.

For more information, contact Principal De Jong at (843) 889-2276.

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