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Savannah River Nuclear Solutions donates \$20,000 to enhance technology in local school

AIKEN, S.C. - (October 11, 2024) Savannah River Nuclear Solutions (SRNS) recently provided a \$20,000 sponsorship to Aiken County Public School District's Center for Innovative Learning (CIL) at Pinecrest.

This contribution will fund the purchase of 30 laptops and a charging station to support the CIL mathematics department— enhancing educational opportunities for students with learning disabilities and those requiring additional support outside of the traditional classroom setting.



Students work on a limited number of laptops at the Center for Innovative Learning at Pinecrest. The SRNS-sponsored laptops and charging station will support over 350 students.

Khaleelah Stroman, CIL Middle Level Mathematics Educator, is enthusiastic about integrating the new equipment into her teaching strategy and aims to utilize virtual manipulatives to improve students' conceptual understanding of math standards.

"Learning and being able to apply mathematics is crucial for student success," said Stroman. "Many educators are using virtual manipulatives for concrete representation of concepts, addressing math standards, and enhancing students' conceptual understanding."

The new equipment will provide access to an array of engaging online resources such as Math Nation, Illustrative Math, Desmos, Aleks, Kahoot, and Quizlet. These tools are essential for creating interactive and individualized learning experiences that cater to student's unique needs.

Previously, CIL's eight middle and high school educators had to share a limited number or laptops impacting their ability to fully grasp students' mastery of specific math standards.

"The laptops will significantly alleviate our limitations, allowing us to use online lecture videos, assessments, and educational games more effectively," said Sandra Smith, CIL High School Mathematics Educator. "This sponsorship will benefit at least 350 students annually and is an amazing contribution to our department."

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"We are thrilled to support the Center for Innovative Learning at Pinecrest in providing tailored and meaningful educational experiences to students who need it most," said Dennis Carr, SRNS President and Chief Executive Officer. "SRNS continues to invest in programs that foster learning and growth in science, technology, engineering, and math. We believe that access to modern technology is crucial for educational advancement in STEM and we are excited to see the positive impact this has on student learning."

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