



NORTHWEST FLORIDA STATE COLLEGE

Memo

To: Board of Trustees
From: Mel Ponder, President
Date: April 15, 2025
Re: South Walton Expansion Update

Construction on the South Walton expansion is on schedule for completion before the Fall 2025 semester begins. On January 8, 2025, Wharton Smith held a topping out party to celebrate the work of the construction team on the project to date, and representatives of the College and Seacoast Collegiate High School both attended.

The expansion parking is complete and open, and the two educational facilities are scheduled to be complete and ready for furniture and equipment in Summer 2025. The Accelerator remains on hold pending additional funding for the project.

Operationally, the College has planned its academic programming for Fall 2025 at South Walton and has worked to accommodate the needs of K-12 educational partners for dual enrollment on site. Fall 2025 enrollment opened in early April, which includes on-site classes at the South Walton Center. The College is also working on staffing, furniture, and equipment the operation of the new and existing education facilities in Fall 2025. Seacoast's Triumph Gulf Coast funding request passed its second reading (the term sheet approval) before the Triumph Gulf Coast Board and is pending a final review and approval ahead of the grant award agreement being entered between Seacoast and Triumph.

The College looks forward to providing a further update ahead of the start of the Fall Semester.