Polk County, FL - Polk State College opened its doors in 1964 as Polk County’s first public higher education institution and remains committed to providing access to affordable, quality higher education across its seven locations today, including college courses available at Ridge Community High School. Polk State serves approximately 16,000 degree-seeking students each year as well as 12,000 individuals in workforce training programs through the Polk State Corporate College. With more than 60 degree, certificate, and certification programs in areas including business, engineering and technology, health sciences, education, and public safety, there is a path for everyone at Polk State.

As Polk State continues to respond to the COVID-19 public health emergency, the College is ensuring that students have access to the resources they need to navigate this unprecedented time. Enrollment is taking place for the Fall 2020 Semester, which will start on August 17. In partnership with the community, Polk State is shaping the future through collaboration, innovation, and quality higher education that supports students in meeting their educational goals and Polk County’s workforce needs.

The College is always seeking internship and employment opportunities for students and graduates, and encourages Chamber members to register on www.joinhandshake.com. Polk State students and alumni – as well as higher education institutions and employers across the country – use Handshake to connect. With Polk State boasting the second highest job-placement and continuing-education rate in the Florida College System at 96.9 percent, and with 70 percent of Polk State’s students remaining in Polk County after graduation, the talent pipeline is here for local businesses because We are Polk and We are the Solution. Visit www.polk.edu.

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