

September 4, 2024

Chairman David M. Bear
Florida Triumph Gulf Coast, Inc.
P. O. Box 12007
Tallahassee, FL 32317

Ref: The Seaside Schools, Inc. Triumph Application

Dear Chairman Bear,

The Walton County Chamber of Commerce is dedicated to promoting industrial and economic growth in the region. We believe that education is a crucial tool for recruiting and retaining businesses. To ensure Walton County remains competitive in the job market and prepares employees to meet the needs of core industries, it is essential to have state-of-the-art facilities in our local schools and provide opportunities for students and the community to develop valuable professional and personal skills.

The proposed expansion of facilities and educational programs at Seacoast High School/NWFSC South Walton campus will be a significant resource for the community. This expansion will not only allow students to earn their Associates degree but also increase opportunities for all students to obtain industry certifications before high school graduation. Supporting the growth of Career and Technical (CTE) programs is a priority for our organization. CTE can benefit all students, and increasing their exposure to diverse technical educational programs is crucial for preparing them for a wide range of high-wage, high-skill, high-demand careers.

Additionally, the Career and College Development Community Center will offer cutting-edge training and equipment, providing students and community members with opportunities to develop skills, obtain credentials, and support local businesses through programming and entrepreneurial development. We are excited about the potential of having this type of center in our community, as it will be a valuable asset to local business development.

We wholeheartedly support this funding request for The Seaside School, Inc. The proposed expansion and revitalization will offer students across Walton County the chance to earn credentials and prepare for career pathways or post-secondary education upon graduation. We are enthusiastic about the positive impact this project will have on our community.

Sincerely,



C. Donald Bishop
President and CEO
InDyne, Inc.