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Suncoast Credit Union and UiPath Bring Groundbreaking A.I. Program to Armwood High School Students

TAMPA, FLA. (April 22, 2025)— Suncoast Credit Union, Florida's largest credit union, in partnership with UiPath, announces the successful completion of a new program entitled the Suncoast Credit Union Student Developer Program. This program prepares students for future careers in technology, finance, and artificial intelligence and was held at Armwood's Academy of Finance during the 2024-2025 academic year. This collaboration marks the first time a program of this kind has been offered to high school students in the United States.

The curriculum introduces students to Robotics Process Automation (RPA), which uses AI technology to automate manual business processes, creating greater efficiency and cost savings. UiPath, an enterprise automation and AI software company, and a vendor partner of Suncoast Credit Union, typically offers training at the collegiate level.

"With the growing adoption of automation and AI, UiPath is committed to investing in the future workforce by providing educational opportunities and training students for the jobs of today and tomorrow," said Eric Bouchard, Vice President of Financials and Insurance in Americas at UiPath. "It is essential that we empower students with the in-demand automation and AI skills to succeed in newly emerging careers. We are proud to partner with SunCoast Credit Union on this crucial initiative to close the skills gap."

"The program adds so much value to their resume," says Dr. Newfield, the lead educator of the Student Developer Program at Armwood High School. "This is giving students real world experience that they may not get during their high school years anywhere else."

A cohort of high school juniors have successfully completed the new program, with two standout students, Adeloa Adeyemo and Zhane Evans, being selected to advance to the next phase of the program, where they will pursue the prestigious UiPath Student Developer Certification. "This program showed me that I can actually integrate my career passions along with AI," says Adeloa. "I think the future of AI can be a beautiful thing if we take the steps to become competent in it."

Suncoast and UiPath plan to continue offering the program at Armwood, with the goal of expanding into additional schools throughout the region, beginning with Brandon High School in September 2025.

"This breakthrough program creates opportunities that prepare students for the future world," says Kevin Johnson, President and CEO of Suncoast Credit Union. "Fields like AI are defining the future of business, and this program is equipping students with valuable skills in automation and artificial intelligence. It lines up with our mission and we are very proud of these students and their educators too."

About Suncoast Credit Union
Suncoast Credit Union is the largest credit union in the state of Florida, the 8th largest in the United States based on membership, and the 10th largest in the United States based on its $18.8 billion in assets. Chartered in 1934 as Hillsborough County Teachers Credit Union, Suncoast Credit Union currently operates 79 full-service branches and serves more than 1.2 million members. As a community credit union, anyone who lives, works, attends school, or worships in Suncoast Credit Union's service area is eligible for membership. Additionally, membership is open to public school teachers, college educators and educational support staff throughout the entire state of Florida. Suncoast is passionate about community support. Since its founding in 1990, the Suncoast Credit Union Foundation has raised and donated more than $53 million to organizations and initiatives that support the health, education, and emotional well-being of children in the communities that the credit union serves. For more information, visit suncoast.com or follow us on social media: Facebook, LinkedIn, Twitter, and Instagram.

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