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Achievement Academy Recipient of New Handicap Ramp for Students

LAKELAND, FL (October 1, 2020) – Darren Vogel, Vice President of Operations, Daniel Vogel, Safety Specialist and a crew from Vogel Bros. Building Co. facilitated and donated equipment to rebuild a handicap ramp for children with special needs on Achievement Academy’s Lakeland campus. President Kevin McWilliams with the Rotary Club of Lakeland South and a crew of Rotarians provided much-needed manpower. The project included moving 9,000 pounds of concrete.

By removing the old ramp and building a new one, this group of volunteers gave students with special needs safe access to the school’s playground. Achievement Academy is grateful for their community support.

When asked why he chose to take on this project, Darren Vogel, P.E., Vice President of Operations stated, “A guiding principle that my grandfather David Vogel has passed down to both myself and the company, is to live in a posture of service in everything you do. This has led to our mission statement ‘To continually improve our services in order to enhance the lives of the people in the communities we serve’; which aligns with one of Achievement Academy’s service philosophies ‘To relate to the community by being responsive to its changing needs, while fulfilling an obligation to educate the public as to the value of children with varying abilities.’ We believe it is part of our mission to use our collective talents to assist likeminded organizations such as Achievement Academy to better serve our community as a whole.”

This is the second major project that Vogel Bros. Building Co. has contributed to Achievement Academy. They previously donated labor, equipment and expertise to remedy a drainage problem at the Lakeland campus making subsequent site improvements possible.

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About the Achievement Academy

*The Achievement Academy serves children from birth through age five with various developmental delays and disabilities. The Achievement Academy offers two programs, each provided at no cost to the child or family. The first program is a **Charter School** that offers specialized instruction by certified teachers; small class sizes; individual speech, occupational and physical therapies; and assistive technologies that enable each student to reach his or her full potential at one of the Achievement Academy's three campus locations (Lakeland, Winter Haven and Bartow). The second is a **Birth to Three Program** that provides early intervention services to infants and toddlers who are "at-risk" for developmental delays and/or have been identified with a specific delay. Professional Early Interventionists serve these children and their families.*