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Kiwanis Club building deck, teaching basic construction



The Southport-Oak Island Kiwanis Club has been active with several schools in the area, including South Brunswick Middle School. Here, the school district approved a plan by the club to convert an unused courtyard area into a space for an outdoor classroom, cafeteria and special events.

Club members have worked with students in the Career and Technical education class and are teaching them basic construction. An invitation was also extended to the South Brunswick High School shop class to assist the middle school students with installing Trex decking, with the Kiwanis volunteers serving in a mentoring role.

The project cost is \$10,000 and it has been divided into two phases due to funding shortfalls. Each phase will cover 450 square feet (room for four tables that seat eight people). Phase one will be completed in mid-April and Phase two will begin in August. Donations over \$500 toward the project will be recognized on a sign visible from the cafeteria. The students and teachers are excited about the project, which should serve the school for at least two decades with little to no maintenance.