



## Sypris and Partners to Host Pilot Program in New Cyber Collaboration Center

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TAMPA, Fla., Jun 22, 2011 (BUSINESS WIRE) -- Sypris Electronics, LLC, a subsidiary of Sypris Solutions, Inc. (Nasdaq/NM: SYPR), is pleased to announce it has partnered with Career Technical Education Foundation, Inc. (CTEF) and The MITRE Corporation to develop, establish and host a new cyber security curriculum for local and national high school students. The curriculum was co-developed by Sypris, MITRE, and CTEF and is under evaluation by (ISC)<sup>2</sup>. The training will take place in Sypris' new, state-of-the-art Cyber Collaboration Center located in Tampa, Florida.

The two-week pilot program has twenty students enrolled from high schools representing Hillsborough, Pasco and Pinellas Counties, as well as others outside the state, and is currently underway. Students were selected based on their strong computer science backgrounds and interests. The course curriculum, based on cyber attack defense and offense methodologies and techniques, will provide students with a broad base of cyber security foundations that can be used immediately and aid in the path of becoming a cyber security professional.

The course is being taught by a team of MITRE and Sypris computer scientists and is being audited by (ISC)<sup>2</sup> to validate the course maps to the (ISC)<sup>2</sup> SSCP common body of knowledge (CBK(R)), a compendium of global information security topics. Students who successfully pass the program, along with a Systems Security Certified Practitioner (SSCP(R)) certification exam, will become an Associate of (ISC)<sup>2</sup> toward the SSCP certification, an opportunity not currently available to any other high school students in the nation.

This pilot program is being held at Sypris' new Cyber Collaboration Center, designed, developed and built by Sypris at its Tampa, Florida headquarters. Students are working in a real-world, network simulated environment to practice their attack and defense techniques. The Center serves as the Center of Cyber Excellence for Sypris' partners and customers to have hands-on learning in a secure environment.

"There is no other cyber security curriculum available for secondary education anywhere in the country and we are the first to make it available," stated Paul Wahnish, President of CTEF. "Students are excited to learn from cyber experts in this new, real-world cyber lab. I would like to personally thank our partners for taking the initiative in helping to educate our future workforce."

"We are proud to have the opportunity to serve our community and stakeholders by providing this unique educational opportunity to future Cyber Warriors both locally and across the nation," stated John Walsh, President of Sypris Electronics. "Sypris is dedicated to Information Assurance Excellence and our new Cyber Collaboration Center is paramount in meeting this mission. CTEF is an outstanding organization devoted to educating the future leaders of our Country and we are honored to work with them on this important new pilot program."

Sypris Electronics is a world-class, integrated systems solutions provider. Our ruggedized electronic products, advanced engineering services and complete electronic manufacturing capabilities are aligned to provide our customers the best people, practices and technologies to continually exceed expectations. We consistently promote an agile, innovative culture by strategically partnering with leading-edge technology companies, agencies and universities. With over 45 years of experience, Sypris Electronics is proud to develop, manufacture and integrate leading technologies into mission critical electronics systems that secure the interests of our global partners. Visit [www.sypriselectronics.com](http://www.sypriselectronics.com) for additional company information.

Career Technical Education Foundation, Inc., (CTEF), is a not-for-profit 501 (c)(3) educational foundation created to work with and influence local educational systems through community and industry partnerships. CTEF is recognized in Florida and nationally as a leader in building collaborative and supportive relationships between education and business and industry. Visit [www.careertechedfoundation.org](http://www.careertechedfoundation.org) for additional information.

The MITRE Corporation ([www.mitre.org](http://www.mitre.org)) is a not-for-profit organization that provides systems engineering, research and development, and information technology support to the government. It operates federally funded research and development centers for the Department of Defense, the Federal Aviation Administration, the Internal Revenue Service and Department of Veterans Affairs, the Department of Homeland Security, and the Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts, with principal locations in Bedford, Mass., and McLean, Va.

(ISC)<sup>2</sup> is the largest not-for-profit membership body of certified information security professionals worldwide, with more than 80,000 members in more than 135 countries. Globally recognized as the Gold Standard, (ISC)<sup>2</sup> issues the Certified Information Systems Security Professional (CISSP(R)) and related concentrations, as well as the Certified Secure Software Lifecycle Professional (CSSLP(R)), Certified Authorization Professional (CAP(R)), and Systems Security Certified Practitioner (SSCP(R)) credentials to qualifying candidates. (ISC)<sup>2</sup>'s certifications are among the first information technology credentials to meet the stringent requirements of ANSI/ISO/IEC Standard 17024, a global benchmark for assessing and certifying personnel. (ISC)<sup>2</sup> also offers education programs and services based on its CBK(R), a compendium of information security topics. More information is available at [www.isc2.org](http://www.isc2.org).

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