Employer Engagement

More than 20 employers in manufacturing, healthcare, energy, construction and technology participated in the 2016 institutes, including Shell, CenterPoint Energy, AT&T, Thermon and Texas Children’s Hospital.
2016 Results

- 800 students entering grades 9-12 from 20 independent school districts and 5 charter school systems attended.
- Students reported a 63% increase overall in understanding “career preparedness” skills.
- Interest from other local colleges willing to participate. The University of Houston-Downtown will join in summer 2017.
Program Funding

Total cost for 2016: $750,000

- **Project GRAD**: Staff, buses, food and beverage
- **Workforce Solutions**: Teaching materials, supplies and employer outreach
- **Colleges**: Lab instructors, facilities and equipment