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#### **South Bay Workforce Investment Board and El Camino College Host 3-Day Advanced Manufacturing & Engineering Technology Linked Learning (AMETLL) Work-Based Learning Summer Institute**

**TORRANCE:** The South Bay Workforce Investment Board, in partnership with El Camino College and the California Career Ladders Project, held a three-day Advanced Manufacturing & Engineering Technology Linked Learning (AMETLL) Work-Based Learning Summer Institute for more than 30 South Bay Area secondary and post-secondary instructors, counselors and administrators. Linked Learning is a statewide initiative that connects k-12 and post-secondary schools around career pathway programs.

Those in attendance were from the school districts of El Segundo, Centinela Valley, Torrance, Lennox, and Compton. While the majority of the instruction and panels were held at the Hawthorne Memorial Center, the summer institute also included a tour of El Camino College. The aim of the sessions were geared towards assisting educators in developing innovative Linked Learning strategies that integrate rigorous academics with hands-on, work-based learning activities such as job shadows, company tours and summer internships.

Industry representatives from SpaceX and Northrop Grumman provide information on the necessary skills students will need to develop in order to be successful in the aerospace industry in general, as well as specifically in growth occupations within the industry such as machinists and engineers.

Linal Miller with El Segundo High School stated “The Institute allowed our district’s team to gain valuable information and resources to further career readiness and work-based learning. The collaboration and networking helped us develop a relevant and feasible action plan to support our students a part of the AMETLL Grant goals and objectives.”

South Torrance High School History Teacher, Nicole Parsons shared, “The emphasis on career pathways for all students and the need for work-based learning for all students resonated with me. I now have all sorts of lessons planned where students will

be connecting our history subject matter with different careers they could pursue after they leave my class.”

Jan Vogel, Chief Executive Officer, South Bay Workforce Investment Board said, “More than 10 years ago the SBWIB partnered with El Camino College and Cal State Dominguez Hills to train nearly 150 teachers and counselors in our school-to-career program. It is important that we continue to assist educators in making the important connection between what is taught in school and what is required at work so that students are well-prepared for college and careers.”



School was in session as educators and administrators gained valuable resources and tools to support Work-Based Learning integration within the South Bay Area school districts.