## IDEX Corporation Invests in Prosperity of Innovation at Lane Tech High School

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## STEM Program readies students for competitive future

LAKE FOREST, Ill., April 24, 2015 /PRNewswire/ -- The IDEX Foundation is pleased to announce their recent partnership with Lane Tech High School located on the Northside of Chicago. The Foundation granted \$25,000 to fund the creation of the school's first "Maker's Lab." This lab is an extension of the school's STEM Program (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics), a program designed with the goal to fully prepare students for post-secondary endeavors in the collegiate and career setting.

"This was born out of the revolution of Digital Manufacturing and the overall 'Maker' movement that has seen rapid gains in momentum in nearly every industry. The course is also the first designed around Lane's new Innovation & Creation Lab. We see power in product development shifting from major corporations to individual designers and entrepreneurs. At Lane, we believe that those individual designers and entrepreneurs are the students," stated Lane Tech Vice Principal, Damir Ara.

As a global manufacturing organization that specializes in selling highly diverse and engineered products to niche markets, IDEX is coming along side Lane to launch an official Mentoring Program.

"We want this to be a long-term partnership," said the IDEX Foundation President, Art Laszlo. "We have exceptional talent across our organization. Our engineers and product design experts have much to offer to the students and to support the good work of the educators. Sharing the time and talent of our employees is part of our values and the IDEX culture."

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