

Overview

Governor Rhoden's recommended budget includes \$6,000,000 in one-time general funds to support the construction of the new James Abdnor Center for Advanced Manufacturing at Southeast Technical College (STC) in Sioux Falls.

The James Abdnor Center for Advanced Manufacturing will increase overall student capacity and provide learning and laboratory space to support a variety of academic programs. With state, local, and federal support, STC will be able to construct the Center for Advanced Manufacturing with no additional financial burden on students.

Background

The James Abdnor Center for Advanced Manufacturing will expand Southeast Technical College's industrial programs with new specializations in mechanics and automation while elevating its already strong, hands-on manufacturing and engineering programs.

The proposed project will include more than 53,000 sq. ft. of new and renovated space that includes state-of-the-art labs, classrooms, and collaborative spaces. The James Abdnor Center for Advanced Manufacturing will create capacity for approximately 130 additional students each year within the Advanced Manufacturing Maintenance Tech, Advanced Manufacturing Automation Technology, Mechanical Engineering Technology, and Welding programs to meet the demand in these growing industries.

Funding

The total cost for this project is approximately \$24,000,000. The Governor is recommending \$6,000,000 in one-time general funds be matched with \$18,000,000 in federal, private, and local contributions from STC. The collaboration between the state, STC, and industry partners will ensure that students have the training needed to develop the next generation of skilled professionals in South Dakota.

