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The Hampton Roads Innovation Collaborative Launching Initiatives to Help Tech Firms

The Hampton Roads Innovation Collaborative (HRIC) is the reboot of the legacy Technology Hampton Roads (the region's Tech Council) and it a member of the Virginia Technology Council Network. HRIC has focused on two primary focus areas for its efforts to enhance regional technology presence;

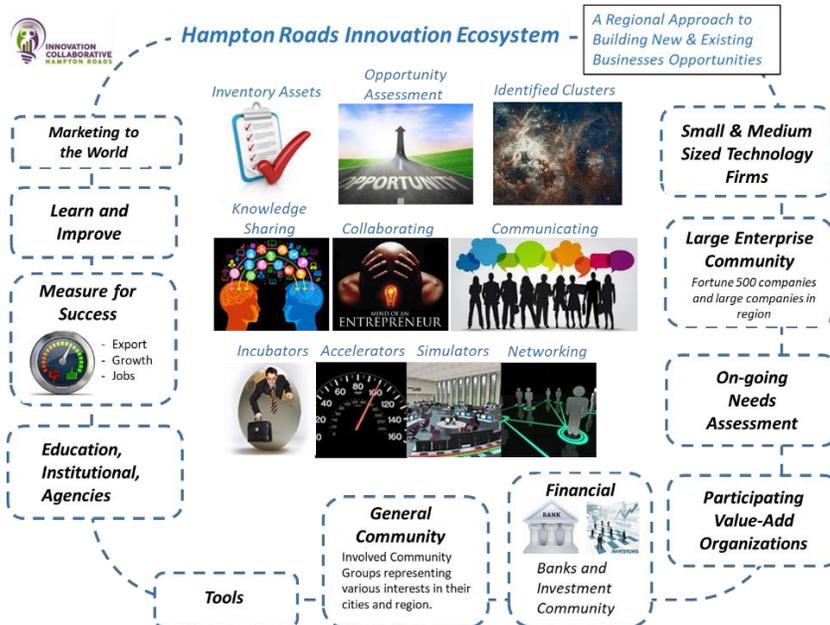
- 1) Foundation for Innovation, a program to help guide technology firms through the region's ecosystem elements, ensuring that tech firms are aware of resources, then improve their ability to access those resources.
- 2) Creating a true community of technology minded people and organizations to advance our region economically. Toward that, HRIC will create a series of events throughout the year, helping technologists and tech companies advance. The culminating event will be it's annual Tech Expo/Tech Night Awards Banquet with partner ODU's Institute of Innovation and Entrepreneurship.

It is the hope that these efforts can translate to a continuing effort toward technology job growth international shipments of region intellectual property. Foundation for Innovation program details can be found at:

<https://technologyhamptonroads.com/category/business-ecosystem/>

Dan Bell, president of HRIC states: "Every region that focuses on technology and innovation needs a tech council to help connect the dots. HRIC's efforts are intended to maximize efforts and attract interest in Hampton Roads as a technology zone. Foundation for Innovation is a bonding program helping lift the efforts of participating companies and our Tech Day/Tech Night with Awards is a celebration of the region's activity and success.

There's been a great deal of talk about ecosystems, but it's time to create a functioning model that tech firms can leverage to help them grow."



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The Governor's School for Science and Technology
A Source of New Ideas and Innovation for the Hampton Roads R&D Ecosystem

Expanding its vision and embarking on a bold new mission, the Governor's School for Science and Technology is in transformation to a new Research, Innovation, and Entrepreneurship-based education model.

Founded more than 30 years ago as a magnet school to provide a college preparatory research education for gifted and highly able students from 19 Hampton Roads area high schools, the school is poised to become the nation's first *regional collaborative R&D career education institution*.

Businesses are under intense and relentless need to innovate and advance technologically. To survive and thrive in a globally competitive economy, the *strategic* deployment of scientific research, engineering, design, innovation, and entrepreneurship is required now more than ever.

The Governor's School has embodied this concept and has prepared to assume an innovative new role serving start-up, emerging, and established companies and organizations in Hampton Roads. By creating innovative collaborative partnerships, employing faculty mentors with broad research and engineering experience, and utilizing state-of-the-art scientific research and engineering lab facilities, the Governor's School can provide to HRIC members and others in-house or out-sourced R&D and engineering project fulfillment.

A valuable resource of capable and knowledgeable young adults highly prepared and eager to attempt the most challenging research and engineering problems, the transforming Governor's School will help accelerate business and technology development in the Hampton Roads R&D ecosystem.

For more information, visit our website: <https://nhrec.org/gsst>.

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Hampton Roads Ecosystem Partnership Announcement

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The Hampton Roads Innovation Collaborative (HRIC) is working with partners in the region to establish a working ecosystem.

Need:

Businesses are under intense and relentless need to innovate and advance technologically. Often firms struggle to recruit talented research, design, engineering, prototyping, and preproduction resources as they pursue new products and services.

The Governor’s School for Science and Technology, Hampton VA, has come forward as a new, regional strategic partner and resource for these talented resources.

How It Would Work:

The GSST can offer industry-experienced faculty, the region’s most accomplished STEM students, and modern laboratory and fabrication environments, to act as a virtual team extension of a firm’s development resources.

GSST would join in discussions about a potential collaboration with a technology company. After identifying the significant added value that the GSST would bring to the initiative, the parties would enter into a partnership work agreement of detailed tasks and deliverables.

Protected Intellectual Property:

Via a non-disclosure agreement with fully protected intellectual property, technology firms would be able to explore freely and openly the fit between their requirements and the GSST resources.

Costs:

Costs and contributions of an initiative will be customized to the mutual satisfaction of the client company and GSST, where any number of innovative and flexible working relationships can be established.

Outcomes:

- Advance the identified project of the client company.
- Accelerate client company product delivery, sales, and growth.
- Establish a pipeline of experienced, qualified university graduates to fill future high-tech positions in the region.

Engagement:

HRIC will promote GSST as an Ecosystem Partner via its website, communications, and introductions to the HR technology community.

Connections:

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| <p>THE GOVERNOR’S SCHOOL SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY</p> | <p>Need: Businesses are under intense and relentless need to innovate and advance technologically. Strategic deployment of scientific research, engineering, design, innovation, and entrepreneurship are required to survive and thrive in the competition.</p> <p>Opportunity: The Governor’s School for Science and Technology is a ready source of capable and knowledgeable gifted and highly able students eager to partner with new and established research and engineering companies and organizations in Hampton Roads to help them achieve their strategic business development and technology growth goals.</p> |
| <p>Objective: Create innovative solutions and opportunities to accelerate the pace of business and technology development in Hampton Roads.</p> <p>Deliverables: R&D and engineering project team resources and in-house R&D and engineering project fulfillment through innovative, flexible student mentorship programs and modern scientific research and engineering lab facilities.</p> | <p>Connections: Website: https://nhrec.org/gsst/ Location: 520 Butler Farm Road, Hampton, VA 23666 Contact: Ms. Vikki Wismer, Director Phone: (757)-766-1100 x3313</p> |
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