The Power of Partnership

ATEP is currently in dialog with potential partners to develop the campus. Current partnership discussions for the campus include biotech and biomedical business incubators, virtual reality, simulation, digital film production, robotics, automotive design, and other programs that rely on leading-edge technology. “Ultimately, our business and university partners, in concert with our Board of Trustees, will help us define what this campus will become,” Dr. Kopecky adds, “Nothing is out of the question here.” Projects will vary widely in character but will all include an education and technology component.

The Advanced Technology & Education Park will epitomize how educational institutions, businesses, government agencies and individuals can partner to create a synergy that truly enhances the vitality of all involved. Students will benefit from relevant, real-life education and the hands-on work experience to accompany it. Businesses will capitalize on a pool of student interns of all ages to help shape a well-trained workforce. The community will reap the benefits of a healthy economy.

We have 68 acres. Join us in developing the future.

For more information, or to inquire about partnering, please visit our website at www.atep.us or contact Tere Fluegeman, ATEP Director of Public Information & Marketing, at 714.258.1125.
Imagine: a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to develop the future of education, business and innovation in Orange County – and, to change the way the world views all three.

That opportunity is here – at the Advanced Technology & Education Park (ATEP) in Tustin, California.

Once a bustling military base, the former Marine Corps Air Station-Tustin is evolving into a hub of commerce. The Advanced Technology & Education Park (ATEP) is a 68-acre site located at the portal entrance to Tustin Legacy, a 1606-acre development that includes regional parks; housing; public schools; commercial businesses; a million-square-foot mall called The District; a research park; a conference center; hotels; and, an emerging 21st Century campus.

About the Site

The site is one of the largest remaining tracts of developable land in Orange County. Centrally nestled between the I-5, I-405 and 55 freeways, and just three miles from John Wayne Airport, this location offers unsurpassed advantages. The area is surrounded by business parks, light industrial and upscale retail centers such as The Market Place, South Coast Plaza, and Irvine Spectrum. It is bordered by three city municipalities – Tustin, Irvine, and Santa Ana. Public transit, including Metrolink, Amtrak, and Orange County Transit Authority bus lines; community services; and regional commercial and cultural facilities are well established in the area, making it a prime location for urban development.

A 21st Century Campus

Regional in character and global in scope, The Advanced Technology & Education Park (ATEP) is a developing campus that focuses on collaborations with technology-oriented businesses and other two- and four-year colleges and universities. Dr. Robert J. Kopecky, Provost, envisions a dynamic synergy that will create unparalleled innovation. “Through our partnerships, we will have a unique opportunity to bridge the gap often seen between education and real-life work experience. We will be able to educate and train students in current technologies and at the same time help them gain valuable experience with companies using these technologies right here in Orange County.”

Creating a highly skilled, knowledge-based workforce requires the united efforts of both public and private sectors. It requires the investment of both education and business. The collaborations that will define this new 21st Century campus will also have the power to strategically position Orange County as a local, regional and global leader in technology-oriented ventures. John Garcia, CEO of Angel Strategies, LLC; Chairman of Orange County Innovation; and world business strategist, agrees, “Innovation is the key for success in America. Education and business coming together in partnership on ATEP’s 68 acres represents a whole new way of doing business. Through synergistic collaborations, the ATEP model will set the trend for communities to replicate nationwide.”

ATEP’s initial campus is under construction and slated to open in 2007 with programs in Photonics, Rapid Prototyping and 3-D model-making.