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Lone Star College – University Park Breaks Ground on New Center for Science & Innovation

HOUSTON, TEXAS — The new Center for Science & Innovation broke ground Thursday morning, April 28, on the Lone Star College – University Park campus at the intersection of University Park Campus Drive and Compaq Center Drive West.

Designed by Kirksey Architecture, the facility will provide students with a 21st century learning environment and focus on STEM curriculum.

The 50,000-sf three-story building serves as a campus-defining landmark and celebration of the sciences. Fostering a connection between the existing campus and the proposed campus extension, the new Center for Science & Innovation will attract students, faculty and visitors and will serve as a beacon for high quality education at Lone Star College.

With a north-facing atrium, the building features 12 full laboratories and an “innovation space.” On each story, four labs are connected to the south by a continuous preparatory area thoughtfully laid out with storage, work tables and space to prepare experiments. Collaborative multi-use spaces give students access to the latest technology as well as individual study spaces.

Expected to open in the fall of 2017, the building will serve LSC’s growing student population.

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PHOTO CAPTION: Members of Kirksey’s Education and Collegiate teams attend the groundbreaking for LSC-University Park’s Center for Science & Innovation on April 28, 2016. Pictured left to right: Dillard Delafosse; Will Turner, AIA; Bill Dwyer, AIA; Gary Machicek, AIA, LEED AP; Jody Henry, AIA, LEED AP; and Collegiate Team Leader Steve Durham, AIA, LEED AP. Not shown: Jason Kite; and Cynthia Helm, AIA.

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