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Educational Facility Grant Program Now Accepting Applications

(*Silver Spring, MD*) — Key decision makers at schools, colleges or universities involved in the design, build, management or renovation of an educational facility are invited to apply for an **Educational Facility Grant** for the **2014 EDspaces Conference & Expo** taking place October 29-31, 2014 in Tampa, Florida.

EDspaces is the only international event that brings together all of the key stakeholders who design, equip and manage innovative learning spaces and the manufacturers, service providers and dealers who offer them solutions. EDspaces showcases the newest and most innovative products for educational facilities and includes a CEU-accredited (AIA, IDCEC, GCBI, TASBO) education conference focused on forward-thinking, sustainable design and the changing impact of environments on learning.

Now in its fourth year, the purpose of the Educational Facility Grant Program is to assist school and college facility planners, superintendents, and business/purchasing officials in making more effective decisions for their upcoming, ongoing, and future facility construction or renovation projects and to take part in the discussion about how facilities and learning interact. Last year's grant program brought over 100 K-12 and higher education business officials with construction and renovation budgets of nearly \$12 billion. Grants were provided to 85 schools, 13 colleges, and 4 community colleges.

The Grant Award package includes hotel accommodations for up to three (3) nights at an official EDspaces host hotel and full conference registration which includes career-enriching educational sessions, exhibits and networking events.

To be eligible for a grant, applicants must complete a brief application, found at www.edspaces.com/grants, providing information regarding planned renovation or construction projects. The Educational Facility Grant Program is a competitive application process. Grant applications will be evaluated based on the projected number and value of potential building projects. Completed applications are due by May 30, 2014. Grant winners will be notified by mid- July and must accept by September 5, 2014.

For more information and to access the grant application, visit **www.ed-spaces.com/grants**. Registration for the event will open the first week of May.