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STEM education experiences on display with product demonstrations

MIAMI, June 3, 2014 - Boeing [NYSE: BA] recently coordinated with CareerSource South Florida to host 70 students from Miami high schools at the Boeing Flight Services Miami campus for an interactive day of learning about science, technology, engineering and math (STEM), and careers in aerospace. The students represented George T. Baker Aviation School, Coral Park High School, Booker T. Washington High School and Miami Lakes Educational Center.

The most recent <u>Boeing Pilot & Technician Outlook</u> projects a global demand for more than one million new commercial airline pilots and maintenance technicians over the next 20 years, making the need for inspiring the next generation paramount.

"Events like this one are important to Boeing because we strive to ensure students have the training they need – particularly in the STEM disciplines – to inspire the engineers and scientists of tomorrow through awareness of all the possible careers in aviation," said David Wright, Boeing Pilot Development Program manager. "Boeing Flight Services is focused and committed to encouraging future aviators to meet the upcoming pilot and technician demand."

Students had the opportunity to tour Boeing's largest training campus with experts who provided hands-on experiences with a 787 maintenance training suite, a full-flight simulator, a flat-panel trainer, cabin crew door trainers as well as a structures workshop.

Miami-Dade County, an international hub, is also committed to helping to provide its current and potential residents with access to the necessary training for future careers in aviation.

"We continue to work with Boeing to prepare our young men and women for the careers of tomorrow, especially in STEM fields such as aviation," said Mayor Carlos A. Gimenez, who attended the event. "Miami-Dade County is proud to be the home for Boeing Flight Services, your largest global training campus, and for making our county a hub for training in commercial aviation."

"We see the relationship between Boeing and CareerSource South Florida as a way for us to contribute to the mayor's Actively Investing in Miami (AIM) initiative to achieve his mission of exposing kids to aviation jobs right here in our Miami-Dade community," said Rick Beasley, director of CareerSource South Florida.

Boeing Flight Services is partnering with customers, governments, and educational institutions to address the potential shortage of pilots and mechanics in the future through innovative initiatives and programs designed to help them prepare for technical jobs and careers.

Boeing supports education programs designed to develop a globally competitive workforce and strong communities. The company works toward a future where all students have access to learning so that they can develop their skills, do what they dream, and build something better.

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