



The Shad Family at the April 25 dedication ceremony for the Shad Robotics Lab at the Bolles Upper School San Jose Campus

Cutting-Edge Education in Bolles' New Shad Robotics Lab

A dedication ceremony was held on Friday, April 25 for the new Shad Robotics Lab in the Frank R. Sanchez and Hope and Dana E. Fender Center for Innovation at the Bolles Upper School San Jose Campus.

The state-of-the-art lab opened last fall, made possible by a \$1 million gift from the Shad family. The Shad Family attended the dedication ceremony and was recognized by Bolles Associate Head of School Andrew Forrester, who honored the generations from the Shad Family that had attended Bolles and the Bartram School for Girls: Harold "Mike" Shad III, Jennie Shad, Harold "Bill" Shad IV, Piper Moyer-Shad, Jack Shad, Lori Shad and Scott Shad. Three Shad grandchildren continue the family tradition by attending Bolles now.

Bolles President and Head of School Tyler Hodges said collaboration and creativity are the forefront of the lab's design and provide students and faculty with unparalleled learning opportunities in robotics and engineering.

"The Shad Robotics Lab has already made an undeniable impact on the Bolles Robotics program – with teams breaking world records and competing on an international stage. It's also enhancing lessons for students taking Robotics and Computer-Aided Design (CAD) Engineering courses at the upper school," Hodges said. "We are beyond grateful for the Shad family's support throughout the years and look forward to seeing how the Shad Robotics Lab will continue to shape the trajectories of current and future students."