

THE 2018 MAGNITUDE

2018 MATE ROV COMPETITION



STUDENTS ARE MORE INTERESTED IN MATH AND SCIENCE



wanted to learn more about science, technology, engineering, and math.

were more interested in a STEM career.

indicated that their ROV project helped them learn to apply STEM to solving real world problems.

felt that they were more self-confident because of their ROV project.

STUDENTS INCREASED SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE



"This program has allowed me to not only expand my creativity, but I've also learned to work as a team member and leader."

- MATE ROV Competition 2018 student

TEACHERS SAW IMPROVEMENTS IN STUDENT LEARNING





COMPETITION'S INFLUENCE ON STUDENTS' EDUCATIONAL AND CAREER PATHS

A 2015 survey of competition "alumni" included questions about their higher education, employment, internships, scholarships, and other opportunities that opened due totheir involvement with the MATE ROV Competition. Highlights of the survey results included below.

MATE plans to launch a second alumni survey in the fall of 2019.



85% of the college graduates had earned a STEM degree, and 85% of the then current college students were studying towards a STEM degree.

73% of the employed alumni were working a STEM-related job, and 22% had worked a job related to ROVs or other underwater technologies.

Two-thirds (67%) of the alumni credited the ROV competition with influencing their educational/career paths.

The ROV competition played a role in alumni attaining employment (37%), admittance into educational programs, college and university (36%), internships (30%), awards (21%), and scholarships (21%).

MATE ROV COMPETITION

The MATE ROV Competition uses underwater robots (remotely operated vehicles or ROVs) as a way to get students in grades 4-16 excited about learning science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM). The program also exposes students to STEM career opportunities and helps them to see pathways to those careers.

All data resulted from an independent evaluation of nearly 2,000 students, 350 teachers and 400 parents who participated in 2018 MATE ROV Competitions.