



Students fill skills gap



TRAINING: Students Scott Peckover and Liam Nolan with Anthony Kittel and Jim Fenoughty

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BUSINESSES can directly address the state's skills shortage by taking on students from Australian Technical Colleges.

One company that has discovered the benefits of taking on school-based apprentices is REDARC Electronics.

Managing director Anthony Kittel has taken on two students through the Australian

School-based Apprenticeships program in a strategy to achieve business growth.

"To achieve these objectives we need skilled people and from our experience the ... Australian School-based Apprenticeships seems a logical way to proceed," he said.

Funded by the Federal Government, the Adelaide South campus allows Year 11 and 12

students to learn employment and trade skills alongside their traditional education.

College Principal Jim Fenoughty said he was working with a range of industries.

"We are already partnering with a number of South Australian businesses in metal and engineering, electro technology and the building and construction industries."

