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MPMA Launches Skilled-Training Academy at HTC Offers Revolutionary Approach to Workforce Development

The Minnesota Precision Manufacturing Association (MPMA) has launched a skilled-training academy for incumbent workers that combines traditional machine tool technology training at Hennepin Technical College (HTC), self-driven training through TITANS of CNC: Academy, and mentors overseeing production work through on-the-job training.



Eight students made history in early October as the first to attend the Academy.

“This was a monumental day for the MPMA,” said President/CEO Steve Kalina, “We have a fantastic group of students representing several MPMA companies. It's an exciting day for MPMA and the industry as we launch a new way of training.”

The students have been paired with mentors from Die Technology, Imagineering Machine, Jonaco, Machining Technology, Mathias Die, Toro, and UMC.

The goals are:

- Provide clear vision of what a student can do within manufacturing to draw more individuals into the industry.
- Define the skill levels an employer needs and a student can achieve.
- Speed up the progression of workforce skills development through concerted efforts for training, consistent curriculum, and strong mentorship.

Interested in sending a worker to the Academy? Contact President/CEO Steve Kalina at steve@mpma.com or 952-564-3041.

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