



STC SPOTLIGHT

Precision Machining & CNC Automation

OVER 100 MACHINISTS TRAINED WITHIN PAST 5 YEARS

Exactly five years ago in June 2013, Sarasota County Technical Institute (*now, Suncoast Technical College, or STC*) was in the process of completing a new precision-machining lab. Through local workforce stakeholder collaboration, machining was reborn as Precision Machining & CNC Automation and Todd Bowden (Director, 2007-2016) pledged to train 100 machinists within the next 5 years. *Click 1st link below to read 2013 Herald Tribune article.* Fast forward five years. NOW, JUNE 2018, Precision Machining Instructor Ed Doherty is proud to say, "The goal was 100. We fulfilled the goal!" After wrapping up the programs fifth year, a total of 102 machinists have been trained.

Also stated by Mr. Doherty...

"This accomplishment would not have been possible without all involved."

It is important that we recognize and sincerely thank CareerEdge, the Sarasota & Manatee Area Manufacturers Association, STC and the Sarasota County School Board, Suncoast Workforce Board, Sarasota County Commission, Gulf Coast Community Foundation, Greater Sarasota Chamber of Commerce as well as Economic Development Corp. of Sarasota County.

Graduation for the Precision Machining & CNC program will be held in the Suncoast Technical College Conference Center on June 21 at 6:00pm. We look forward to our continuing journey as we move on to Phase 2 in training and filling jobs in the Manufacturing sector for our community.

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