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Amarillo College Drafting/CAD department newsletter and information document.

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The Drafting program at Amarillo College has just completed another successful year.

We were able to maintain 65 to 75 majors throughout the year. We are conducting summer classes in both Autocad and Microstation.

We will be implementing Autodesk products for the Fall 06 semester with all releases of the 2007 software. We will be using Autocad 2007, Inventor 11 and VIZ 2007 in several of our classes.

We will be using the latest release of the Microstation V8 series for Fall 06 also. We will be also doing classes using Chief Architect rel 10 for Architectural design.

The job market in the Amarillo area is very strong and we have been placing students as soon as they graduate and in many cases before graduation, we have most students working somewhere in trade.

We have enjoyed the support of many local employers and continue to get calls and e-mails about jobs and job placement.

Dan McCall and myself will continue to provide the most up-to-date training that we can and welcome any needs or training that may arise during the next year.

Please respond to this e-mail with your comments, suggestions and questions. We will schedule a meeting at our facilities at the beginning of the Fall semester. We will look forward to seeing all the members and hope to demo some of the new software available to our students.

Thank You for your Support.

Tony Thomas
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DFTG-Amarillo College

Members responded to this e-mail document with comments and suggestions:

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Comments from members include:

Possible class in 3d modeling for Microstation

Continue the good work and provide excellent employees for the local workforce.

Ac has continued to provide quality training for our potential employees and

Provided training for our current employees. We appreciate the work that has been accomplished by the Drafting/CAD department at AC

We have found that constant contact with our board members through telephone and e-mail has been as effective, if not more effective than on campus meetings. This has proved to be very effective, however we do feel that on campus meetings are essential and will continue to have meetings at our facility each year to provide the best opportunities for input from our board members.