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Heating Ventilation Air Conditioning and Refrigeration (HVACR)

Hobart and Ferris Partner for Training

Hobart Service (Troy, Ohio) has initiated an objective to become capable of servicing commercial foodservice refrigeration equipment at all nationwide locations in the next several years, the Big Rapids Pioneer reports. Hobart approached Ferris State University to train their more than 1,500 service technicians. It was not coincidence Ferris was favored to partner in providing this training. When Hobart began discussions on this strategic move into a new service market Ferris was the first school Jim Boeke's (HVAC '70), Director of Product Service and Training at Hobart, considered. Working with Tom Crandell, director of Ferris' Corporate & Professional Development Center, Hobart and Ferris established a balanced combination of classroom and hands-on training in the development of this customized school. Under the direction of Ed Phillips, training instructor with Hobart, the program was designed by Ferris' assistant professor Joe Compton, adjunct faculty member Bob Persons and assistant professor Joe Pacella; Compton and Persons were also instructors.