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**SUFFOLK COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE SHOWCASES NEW  
MANUFACTURING TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM IN BRENTWOOD**

Brentwood, NY – Suffolk County Community College recently held an event at their Health, Sports and Education Center to launch a new associate’s degree program in Manufacturing Technology. The event included representation from Long Island manufacturers, representatives from regional colleges and school systems, and related organizations including the Hauppauge Industrial Association (HIA) and the Aerospace and Defense Diversification Alliance in Peacetime Transition (ADDAPT). Speaking at the event, Interim President George Gatta, Jr. described the evolution of the College’s successful manufacturing training program into a new credit-bearing program in order to meet regional skills gaps and provide opportunities for Long Island residents who are interested in a career in manufacturing. “Simply put,” said Mr. Gatta, “the Manufacturing Technology program will provide students with an advanced, quality education that will translate into rewarding careers.”

Over the next five years, more than 4,000 regional manufacturing jobs are predicted to open in a wide range of industries. In addition, new jobs are emerging in renewable energy industries, both locally and nationally. SCCC’s new Manufacturing Technology A.A.S. program will afford graduates opportunities for employment in industries that include precision metalwork, computer numeric control (CNC), machining, computer-aided design (CAD), computer-aided manufacturing (CAM), and quality control and lean manufacturing.

At the event, Dr. Randolph Manning, Associate Dean of Academic Affairs at the Michael J. Grant Campus in Brentwood, went on to say that graduates “...will be able to find successful employment as machinists, machine control operators, manufacturing operators and managers, engineering-design team members and manufacturing supervisors.”

The Manufacturing Technology program will debut for the fall 2009 semester and will operate from a newly constructed 18,000-square-foot environmentally sensitive, LEED-certified building on the Michael J. Grant Campus in Brentwood, NY. Classes will be offered during both days and evenings.

For more information about SCCC’s Manufacturing Technology A.A.S. program, please call 631-851-6719.

## **About Suffolk County Community College**

Suffolk County Community College (SCCC) is the largest community college in the State University of New York (SUNY) system, enrolling more than 23,000 students at its three campuses in Selden, Brentwood and Riverhead. SCCC offers the Associate in Arts (A.A.), Associate in Science (A.S.), and Associate in Applied Science (A.A.S.) degree, as well as a variety of certificate programs. Offering the lowest college tuition on Long Island, a highly respected Honors program, extensive extracurricular activities, championship athletic teams, and numerous unified transfer programs, SCCC is a first-choice college for Long Island students. Visit us online at [sunysuffolk.edu](http://sunysuffolk.edu).

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