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## SUFFOLK COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE'S PROFESSOR EUGENE SILBERSTEIN IS CERTIFIED AS A MASTER HVAC/R EDUCATOR

Brentwood, NY – Eugene Silberstein, Professor of Heating Ventilation, Air Conditioning and Refrigeration (HVAC/R) on the Michael J. Grant Campus of Suffolk County Community College in Brentwood, has recently had the title of Certified Master HVAC/R Educator (CMHE) conferred upon him by HVAC Excellence, the largest provider of certification in the HVACR industry.

For more than 25 years, Professor Silberstein has been involved in all aspects of the HVAC/R industry. His experience includes field technician, system designer, contractor, teacher, administrator, consultant and author. His books include, "Heat Pumps", "Residential Construction Academy: HVAC" and "Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Technology", which he co-authored (http://www.cengage.com/delmar).

"This is tremendous news," noted Suffolk County Community College's Interim President, George Gatta, Jr. "Only 24 individuals nationwide have successfully passed all of the exams necessary to have the title CMHE conferred upon them. We congratulate Professor Silberstein on his accomplishment."

Suffolk County Community College's HVAC/R program allows students to be trained in today's newest, most energy-efficient technologies, providing regional HVAC/R workers the opportunity to upgrade and enhance their skills. In September 2009, the College announced the grand opening of its Workforce Development and Technology Center, which includes state-of-the-art laboratories dedicated to use by the Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning and Refrigeration (HVAC/R) program and a new Manufacturing Technology associate's degree (A.A.S.) program. On Long Island, there is a growing demand for trained HVAC/R workers and, in fact, many students in the program are securing employment before they even complete their training.

## 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 25,000 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.) degrees, 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.