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Free Industrial Maintenance Training Available at Rhodes State College

LIMA, OH- Rhodes State College is expanding its free technical training offerings to include Industrial Maintenance.

The iSTAR Industrial Maintenance Program provides free tuition, books and paid on-the-job training for applicants who qualify. Graduates will receive an industrial maintenance certificate from Rhodes State. All credits earned through the program can be applied toward an associate degree at Rhodes State.

iSTAR, which stands for Innovative Strategic Training Achieving Results, is funded by a grant from the U.S. Department of Labor. The classes are being offered through a partnership with Northwest State Community College (NSCC) in Archbold, Ohio and WSOS Community Action, a non-profit based in Fremont, Ohio.

Unemployed and underemployed individuals who could qualify for the free training should have an interest in and aptitude for industrial maintenance. Applicants will need to complete an assessment and be screened by iSTAR staff.

Applications are being accepted for a session that begins January 12, 2015 and runs through December 2015. Classes will be held at Rhodes State.

Dr. Matthew J. Kinkley, Executive Director Workforce, Economic Development and Continuing Education at Rhodes State, said, "This program has the potential to impact a lot of people throughout Northwest Ohio because it provides quality industry-driven education."

Students who complete the course will receive 18 weeks of paid, on-the-job training with the goal of continued employment. For more information or to complete an online application, visit <https://istarOhio.com/> or call Traci Cox at Rhodes State, (419) 995-8040 or Sarah Stubblefield of Northwest State, at (419) 267-1512.

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