



**Media advisory**

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**Gateway to hold open house  
for regional training center**

Gateway Technical College on July 10 will break ground on its newest workforce training center, the integrated Manufacturing and Engineering Technology Center, or iMET Center, 2320 Renaissance Blvd., Sturtevant.

The ceremony, to be co-hosted by the Racine County Economic Development Corporation (RCEDC), will begin at 8:30 a.m. on the north side of the iMET Center. The facility was formerly called the Center for Advanced Technology and Innovation until its name was recently changed to reflect the scope of training to be done in the building.

Speakers at the event include Tim Sullivan, state of Wisconsin Special Consultant for Business and Workforce Development; Jim Ladwig, Racine County Executive; Tom Shinnars, Poclain Hydraulics and RCEDC chairperson; Gateway Technical College President Bryan Albrecht; and Debbie Davidson, Vice President, Workforce & Economic Development Division.

The center will host the region's first flexible manufacturing lab dedicated to training the manufacturing workforce. Included in the manufacturing space will also be classrooms and work areas providing an ideal environment for individual and collaborative project-based learning experiences.

Short-term, customized, modular and boot camp training in CNC machining, industrial maintenance, robots, welding and fabrication as well as industrial trades apprenticeship training will be offered at the iMET Center.

Gateway Technical College collaborates with communities in Kenosha, Racine and Walworth counties to ensure economic growth and viability by providing education, training, leadership and technological resources to meet the changing needs of students, employers and communities.

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