

Corporate Education at Danville Area Community College and ThyssenKrupp Presta Danville, LLC, Training Partnership Continues with New Merger

As a first-class automotive supplier of assembled camshafts, ThyssenKrupp Presta Danville, LLC, completed a merger with Systrand Presta Engine Systems, in October, 2009. This merger gave Presta the ability to house its Assembly and Grinding facilities under one roof. The company is striving to maintain a lean, highly skilled workforce in tough economic times and to remain competitive in the automotive industry and “to offset the probability of lay-offs, shut-downs, and wage reductions.”

ThyssenKrupp Presta Danville, LLC’s goal is to make internal and external training a key component of the company’s culture. To promote this effort, members of the management team have participated in a customized Leadership Training Series through Corporate Education at Danville Area Community College. Carlos Dias, Executive Vice-President of Operations for ThyssenKrupp Presta Danville, LLC, said, “Our Executive Management Team has really enjoyed this customized training. After its completion, we look forward to bringing it to our mid-level supervisors. We appreciate the assistance that DACC has provided us in finding grant money from the State of Illinois. If you have not utilized DACC for training needs within your company, we highly recommend them as a training provider. They are a great resource for not only us, but the entire community.”

ThyssenKrupp Presta Danville, LLC, also has a continuing need for skilled, competent employees who have proven abilities. Again, they partner with Corporate Education at DACC to provide ongoing customized classes in Introduction to Manufacturing and Advanced Manufacturing, taught by NIMS certified instructors in the Technology Department. DACC became the first National Institute of Metalworking Skills, Inc. (NIMS)-certified college in the State of Illinois in 2001.