



ATLANTA TECHNICAL COLLEGE

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Atlanta Technical College Establishes HVAC Scholarship in Esteemed Instructor's Name *ATC Alumnus Creates Second Major Scholarship Fund to Benefits Students*

ATLANTA (March 6, 2023) – Steve and Charlotte Howard established their second major scholarship fund at Atlanta Technical College in 2022, with the creation of the Claude LaHaie HVAC Scholarship. This scholarship is created to celebrate the inspirational legacy of Claude LaHaie, a beloved instructor at Atlanta Technical College, and to create a debt-free pathway for students to obtain a career in the HVAC industry.

“We wanted all high school students to realize what a wonderful career they can have as a heating and air conditioning technician,” said Steve Howard, a graduate of Atlanta Technical College and former student of Claude LaHaie. “Mr. LaHaie was a dedicated teacher and who went to great lengths to support his students, including me.”

This scholarship provides a completely free education for recipients and includes tuition, books and tools, hopes to encourage high school seniors to consider a career in the HVAC industry.

The first recipient, Titus Johnson, began classes in August of 2022 and expects to graduate in May 2024.

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ABOUT ATLANTA TECHNICAL COLLEGE

Atlanta Technical College is a vibrant part of the Technical College System of Georgia and was named its College of the Year in 2012. Prior to that, the college was selected as America's Best Community College by Washington Monthly magazine and has been ranked one of the best in the nation for online courses and programs. Most recently, the college was awarded the prestigious Bellwether Award for Workforce Development and in 2022, Atlanta Technical College celebrated 55 years of serving the City of Atlanta along with Fulton and Clayton Counties. For more information on Atlanta Technical College, its \$201M economic impact and its 200-plus award-winning programs, visit www.atlantatech.edu.

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