

Daimler donates \$5,000 to Gladstone High engineering program

Last week Daimler Trucks North America donated \$7,000 to the technology lab at Gladstone High School to benefit engineering classes at the school. Part of the company’s Education in Motion campaign, the contribution has the goal of encouraging students to build skills to prepare for careers in manufacturing.

“There is a significant gap between available manufacturing jobs in Portland and the pool of skilled workers in Portland,” said Roger Nielsen, chief operating officer, Daimler Trucks North America. “By supporting today’s students to get ahead in science, technology, engineering, and math, we hope to encourage them to stay in school and prepare to pursue the rewarding careers available to them in manufacturing.”

Gladstone High is known for its strong technology program, offering classes in Engineering Technology, Mechanics and Energy, Computer-Aided Drafting and Design, Web Design, Game Design, Computer Technology, and Robotics.

Another way Gladstone students get engaged in technology learning is through hands-on projects in after-school clubs. One group is transforming an old Chevy into an electric vehicle, and another group participates in regional robotics competitions.

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