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Perseus Computer Donation Supports TSTC Programs

(WACO)—Perseus Labs of Round Rock has donated 25 Proliant servers, with a donor value of \$35,000, to Texas State Technical College Waco for use in its Computer Networking & Systems Administration and Computer Maintenance Technology departments.

The presentation of the industrial standard, Intel-based servers was made at TSTC by Perseus President James Flowers, a former TSTC student, and Director of Operations Mike Stiles, a 1987 CMT graduate. The servers became available for donation when Perseus Labs recently upgraded to a newer-generation server.

Perseus currently employs approximately 30 TSTC graduates, a number that the company is hopeful of doubling. With the donation, Perseus Labs expects to build a bridge of smooth transition as TSTC graduates become prepared to step into jobs with the company. “We want the new graduates we’re recruiting to come to our company knowing the technology that works best for us,” said Stiles.

Ron Sanders, CNS department chair, said the servers will be used in the classroom to help students learn about server hardware. “These servers are very different from PCs,” said Sanders. “They are engineered to use server operating systems to provide services such as email to multiple users simultaneously. They have fault-tolerance and high performance built into them. First semester students and those throughout the program will work hands-on with these servers.”

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