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### **Autry Technology Center Awarded \$10,000 Grant from Gene Haas Foundation**

ENID, OKLA. — The Gene Haas Foundation has awarded Autry Technology Center a \$10,000 grant for scholarships and student competition teams for the Computerized Machining (CNC Machining) program.

The Gene Haas Foundation was established in 1999, by Gene Haas, founder and owner of Haas Automation, Inc., to support the needs of the local community, through grants to such local charities as the Boys and Girls Clubs, Food Share, Rescue Mission, and others.

Seeing a growing need for skilled manufacturing employees industry wide, the Foundation expanded its mission to include support for manufacturing training programs throughout North America and beyond. By providing scholarship grants, sponsoring individual and team CNC competitions, and partnering with the very best CNC training programs in the world, the Foundation helps expand the availability of high-quality manufacturing technology training worldwide.

The Gene Haas Foundation donates millions of dollars every year to manufacturing education and the community. In 2020, the Gene Haas Foundation provided more than \$20 million in grants, bringing the total since inception to more than to \$120 million.

“We are extremely grateful for the support from the Gene Haas Foundation,” said Jeremiah Reschke, Autry Tech Computerized Machining instructor. “We know these funds will help put students to work in the machining industry.”

The Computerized Machining (CNC Machining) program is wrapping up its first full year at Autry Tech. The program is open to both high school and adult students. To learn more about the program or to apply online, visit [autrytech.edu](http://autrytech.edu).

Autry Technology Center has been a part of the Enid community since 1967 and is one of 29 CareerTech schools across Oklahoma. The center has more than 25 career programs and offers a wide variety of evening and weekend short-term courses and certifications for many diverse career fields. Autry Tech serves nearly 16,000 individuals each year, including many area employees who receive training through the Workforce Development department that works with over 500 local businesses each year.

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