

# **Alabama Power Partners with Bevill State for New HVAC Training Facility**

Alabama Power is partnering with Bevill State Community College in the relocation and development of a state-of-the-art HVAC Training Center. The joint venture will relocate the facility from Verbena to Jasper, and expand the program and course certificate options for students through an arrangement and program transfer with Bevill State.

“The outcome of this strong partnership with Bevill State will be long-term, high-value career growth not only for the current workforce but for the next generation,” said Jeff Peoples, Alabama Power vice president of Human Resources and Ethics. “The relocation of the HVAC Training Center is a key step in helping grow the state’s workforce system.”

The Alabama Community College (ACCS) Board of Trustees on May 10 voted to approve the agreement between Bevill State and Alabama Power to develop the facility.

The HVAC Training Center will provide six functional classrooms, six designated learning laboratory areas, a minimum of six offices and an auditorium accommodating up to 100 participants.

Bevill State will retrofit the building to receive training equipment from Alabama Power, and company resources, instructors, participants and students will be integrated into the new HVAC Training Center.

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Greetings,

The above announcement is big news for the Training Center and all those who attend the training offered by the Center. We have maximized our current facility to the point that we cannot add any more units or classes. This move will allow us to have doubled the space of our current facility, increasing the number of classrooms and labs, to better meet the training need of our partners, allies, company and industry.

This move is a monumental task and we ask that you bear with us during this transition.

As we move forward over the next several months, we will continue to offer classes in our Verbena facility with plans to begin providing classes in the Jasper location January 2018.

We are excited about our new move and look forward to serving you with the very best training available.

Joel Owen  
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