



For Immediate Release
A Brand New School Serving Northeast Florida

JACKSONVILLE - Compass Rose Foundation, Inc. (CRF), a 71 year-old, non-profit and Florida-chartered organization is creating an education and training center with emphases on automotive technology, diesel technology, heavy equipment repair, manufacturing technologies, commercial truck driving, and logistics management for the Greater Jacksonville Area.

This endeavor, known as J-Tech, will be a vocational institution of higher learning whereby its focus will be shorter-term diploma and occupation associate degree programs training students in high-demand trades.

On May 31, 2013 Compass Rose Foundation Inc. purchased 8813 Western Way, a 16-acre, 168,000 square foot building on the Southside of Jacksonville. This locale was formerly used by Mercedes-Benz as their national training facility and vehicle intake plant. It is our intent to also make available our physical plant to employers and industry partners for regional training workshops.

“Contemporary Compass Rose Foundation principals link their family’s education and community service legacy to their Jacksonville forebears, this legacy began in 1918. These principals have returned to Jacksonville to begin the next chapter of Compass Rose Foundation’s story of supporting and growing institutions that meet the demands of the regional economy through workforce training and academic development,” said Gregory H. Jones, President.

About Compass Rose Foundation, Inc. (CRF)

The history of Compass Rose Foundation is one of constant evolvement. For decades, CRF has founded, governed and operated private institutions of higher learning. A review of our landing page, www.compassrosefoundation.org, will evidence our ever-evolving, but longstanding commitment, to the higher education community.

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