



## **RE: RRC Polytech Focus Group Request: Plumbing and Refrigeration**

Hello MCAM members,

My name is Eric Swanson, and I am an instructor in the School of Skilled Trades and Technologies at RRC Polytech.

As Manitoba's only polytechnic, RRC Polytech provides the highest quality of technical and hands on training for students entering a trade. As industry evolves, we continue to ensure that Manitobans are equipped with the skills that are required to adapt to changing market demands. The goals of the current Pre-Employment Programs are to provide practical knowledge and technical skills to safely identify, install, and repair various fixtures and related systems.

Classes are taught by a team of experienced professionals, providing instruction on relevant topics ranging from fundamental work skills to specialized tools and processes.

Here are links to the Pre-Employment Programs that are currently offered at RRC Polytech in the Plumbing and Refrigeration trades:

[Plumbing: RRC Polytech: Program Explorer](#)

[Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Technician: RRC Polytech: Program Explorer](#)

To maintain the highest quality of instruction and meet the needs of industry and community, programs at Red River College Polytechnic (RRC Polytech) are evaluated on a regular basis and upgraded as needed. The academic conversion to a **Plumbing Certificate and Refrigeration Certificate** program is underway, and your input is greatly appreciated.

We will be holding focus groups with industry members to gain insight into the program's relevancy and scope, and we hope you can join us.

### **Plumbing Focus Group Details**

**Date:** Thursday, May 18th, 2023

**Time:** 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

**Location:** Virtually via Microsoft Teams. Meeting link will be sent to participants upon confirmation of attendance.

### **Refrigeration Focus Group Details**

**Date:** Wednesday, May 24th, 2023

**Time:** 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

**Location:** Virtually via Microsoft Teams. Meeting link will be sent to participants upon confirmation of attendance.



We request that you RSVP to **Christina Lambert** at [CLambert@RRC.CA](mailto:CLambert@RRC.CA) by **May 11<sup>th</sup>** if you wish to join the **Plumbing session** and **May 17<sup>th</sup>** if you would prefer the **Refrigeration session**. Please state in your reply to Christina which Focus Group you would prefer or if you would like to attend both. If a representative other than yourself will be attending, please include their name and email.

I would like to thank you for your continued support of the Plumbing and Refrigeration Certificate Programs. My hope is that we can count on your participation in the focus group to assist these programs in meeting the needs of both community and students.



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