



PETROLEUM TECHNOLOGY

April 2012 Newsletter

The Petroleum Technology program attended its first oil show this month, as a guest of the Development Corporation of Snyder (DCOS). DCOS Executive Director Bill Lavers invited WTC to attend the 2012 Alliance Expo and Annual Meeting of the Texas Alliance of Energy Producers held in Wichita Falls, Texas.

All of the oil and gas companies WTC visited with were excited to hear about our classes starting up in Fall 2012, and the educational opportunities available to the students.

The oil and gas industry proved instrumental in the formation of this new program for good reason: it is the industry who will be hiring WTC graduates. In the discussion of this new program with industry professionals, many had suggestions about course offerings, ideas about how they might help the program, and future program development. They were as excited to see us as we were to get the opportunity to visit with them. WTC presented many of the course ideas gathered at this show to the Petroleum Technology Advisory board.

Attendance of oil shows by WTC's Petroleum Technology program is instrumental to learn what training and education is needed in the industry to develop viable employees. Many companies presented invaluable ideas to WTC at the show.

If any of the companies come forward as proposed and aid WTC through a site visit, further input, or donations of resources which are out of the reach for a community college, it will give WTC students an edge over other potential employees.