

THE BROWNSON BULLETIN

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INTRODUCTION

Welcome to this month's edition of the *Brownson Bulletin*! We hope that you enjoy reading the *Brownson Bulletin* this month!

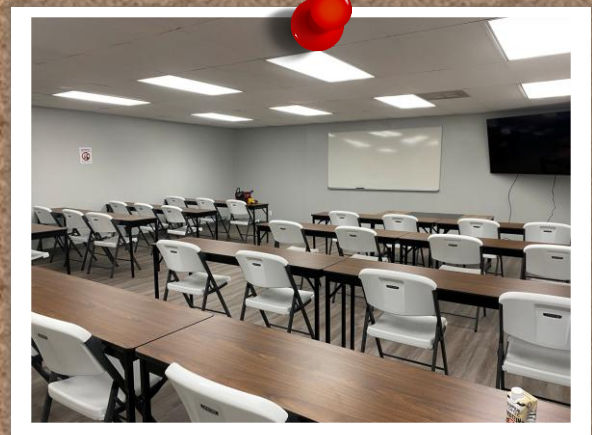
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Forward Thinking

BY NICK BROWN

Brownson Technical School is excited to announce that, starting with our January 5th class start, our new classrooms in 1100 Technology Circle will be in use! These classrooms were featured in our YouTube video, "1100 Technology Circle -- The Transformation of a Lifetime," so please go to that video using the link below to learn more about our new classrooms and our second building in general. These new rooms will allow us to accommodate more students than we could with just one building. Click the link below to learn more and to see the transformation of our secondary building.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MYD1JaAafUI>



HAPPY NEW YEAR 2026

Happy New Year from all of us at Brownson Technical School!

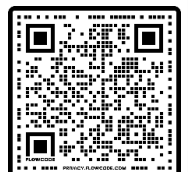
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✓ BULLETIN TRIVIA ✓

- 1) Which day in 1959 did Alaska enter the Union?
 - a. January 3rd
 - b. January 13th
 - c. January 23rd
 - d. January 30th

- 2) What Brazilian city translates to "River of January?"
 - a. Rio de Enero
 - b. Rio de Janeiro
 - c. Rio de Janvier
 - d. Rio de Januar

ANSWERS

- 1) A
- 2) B

DESCRIPTION: According to *Made With Happy*, Walt Alaska became a U.S. State on January 3, 1959. In January 1502, the Portuguese landed in Brazil, and made the city of Rio de Janeiro, which translates to "River of January" in English.

Source: *madewithhappy.com*.

📷 STUDENT SECTION 📷

Brownson Technical School takes pride in showing appreciation to current students and graduates. See you in the "Student Section!"

GALLERY



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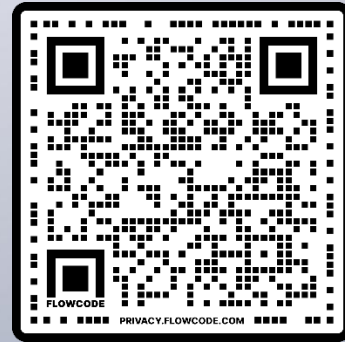


STUDENT SECTION ON VIDEO SERIES

<https://www.youtube.com/@brownsontech>



Be sure to scan the QR code on the right to stay up-to-date with our web series, *Student Section on Video*. Everyone knows about the photos in the “Student Section,” but did you know we also take videos? See them on the *Student Section on Video*.
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IMPORTANT DATES TO KNOW

Mark your calendars for everything happening this month!



2026 CALENDAR – NOTES

Graduation(s)

- **Wednesday, January 7** (Day Class)

Holidays (January and February)

- **New Year's Day** (Thursday, January 1)
- **Martin Luther King Day** (Monday, January 19)
- **Presidents' Day** (Monday, February 16)

Yaskawa VFD Training*

Here are the 2026 Yaskawa VFD Training dates:

- Friday, February 6, 2026
- Friday, March 6, 2026
- Friday, April 17, 2026
- Friday, May 22, 2026
- Friday, June 26, 2026
- Friday, July 31, 2026
- Friday, August 28, 2026
- Friday, October 9, 2026
- Friday, November 13, 2026
- Friday, December 18, 2026

**If you have any questions about Yaskawa Training, don't hesitate to get in touch with Joe Keleman at ioe@brownson.edu.*

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WHAT IS YASKAWA VFD TRAINING?

In partnership with Yaskawa, Brownson Technical School is offering an exclusive online training program for certification as a Yaskawa HV600 VFD Start-Up Specialist. This comprehensive course covers the installation, configuration, and troubleshooting of Yaskawa variable frequency drives (VFDs), which are essential tools for controlling HVAC motors in modern industrial systems. Benefits of certification include industry recognition, enhanced employability, hands-on skills, and networking. The cost is \$220 (Payable by check, cash, or credit card). Register by visiting www.brownson.edu and going under “Events.” If you need help registering or have questions, contact Joe Keleman at joe@brownson.edu. Invest in your future-- become a Yaskawa VFD-certified start-up technician today!

WE ARE BROWNSON TECHNICAL SCHOOL!

Our Mission Statement

SOURCE: “BTS CATALOG” (www.brownson.edu)

“Brownson Technical School’s mission is to make a positive change in someone’s life through vocational training. At the heart of our mission is the desire to address the divergent needs and aspirations of the variety of adult learners who come to us from a wide range of educational, occupational, and experiential backgrounds, all of whom have chosen to acquire new technical skills to change or advance their individual careers and lifestyles.”

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Program Description*

HEATING, VENTILATION, AIR-CONDITIONING, AND REFRIGERATION TECHNOLOGY TRAINING IN 1040 HOURS!

Students who complete our program can diagnose, service, install, and repair HVAC/R equipment and understand the reason for a building to gain or lose heat, as well as help mitigate the impact on energy usage. Our program also includes training on systems using direct digital controls (or “DDC”). The overall scope of this program is to prepare graduates to learn how to get the most out of the equipment’s performance, which is different than how this type of training is typically done. Our HVAC/R program sees the building as a “System” and the equipment as a “Sub-system.” Moreover, as California moves towards "Net-zero" energy usage for new residential and commercial buildings, we must also bring existing buildings to the new energy standards. These newer State standards affect many types of buildings, and our program will prepare you for these types of changes.

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**Our program meets the educational requirements to proceed with the Local 250 Union Apprentice Program.*

Which Program is Right for You?

Check our table below to find out which program is right for you.

Program	Length (months)	Days a week	Instruction type
Day	10 months	4 (Monday-Thursday)	Only on-campus
Traditional Evening	22 months	3 (Monday-Wednesday)	Only on-campus
Blended	10 months	3 (Monday-Wednesday)	Partially online

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Why Brownson Technical School?

When considering an HVAC/R training facility, one must do the proper research. Several schools offer HVAC/R training, including community colleges or schools that teach multiple trades. Brownson is different! Here's why:

- Lower-cost tuition per hour than many schools in the area.
- We only teach HVAC/R!
- Our graduates can become HVAC-Excellence Certified, receive additional certifications, and take NATE CORE.
- Our training can take as little as ten months*!
- Part of our training can be done online**!
- We have a lab area of 12,000+ square feet filled with some of the most up-to-date equipment we can obtain!

*Applies to our 10-month Day program

**Applies to our 10-month Blended program

What do Our Graduates Say About us?

As we have previously mentioned, prior to enrolling in a trade school, or in this case, an HVAC/R school, "One must do the proper research." Sometimes, that

"Research" could be done on the school's website in their testimonial section.

Testimonials are given by the graduates who loved their school so much that they decided to recommend it to prospective students. On Brownson's website, we, like many schools, also have a testimonial section. Some of our testimonials are written, while others

are filmed. If you are still not sure about Brownson and want to see what others think, please visit

www.brownson.edu/why-bts/testimonials, or scan the QR code to the right. >>>

“Excellent experience very hands on. Instructor very helpful.”
— Anthony Arnold

“Staff was on point. Learned to be a problem solver and not a part changer. Hands on and open your brain to a flood of info. Thanks again.”

— Falemanu B. Vaioletama Jr.

“I'm very happy and proud to have Graduated from B.T.S. Unbelievable staff helpful in all areas... Highly recommend to whomever wants to join the A.C field. Thanks Brownson Tech School!”

— Art Gonzalez



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How Can I Make an Admissions Appointment?

Do you feel like the time has come for you to schedule an appointment with our Admissions Department? If so, please check out the Admissions Checklist below.

ADMISSIONS CHECKLIST:

- **Confirm that you are eligible for admission into Brownson.**
 - Ensure that you have a valid driver's license and a good, clean record.
 - Ensure that you have a high school diploma or equivalent.
- **Book an appointment with Admissions.**
 - Call (714) 774-9443 or email faith@brownson.edu to book an appointment with Admissions.
 - (This website may help: www.brownson.edu/admissions-how-to-apply.)
- **Take your tour of Brownson and hear the details.**
 - On your appointment day, you'll enjoy a tour of the school!
 - You will also chat with Admissions and Financial Aid.

Thanks for considering Brownson Technical School! Our Admissions department looks forward to meeting with you!

REGULAR INFORMATION

Love Brownson Bulletin?

Thank you for your interest in *Brownson Bulletin*! We hope that this edition was an enjoyable read for you! If you love *Brownson Bulletin*, check out our Facebook and Instagram accounts to read every edition of the *Bulletin*! We post them all on our accounts!

Questions or Requests?

We would love to hear feedback from you all about this *Brownson Bulletin* edition! If you have ideas for the next edition, we would love to hear them! You can let us know by emailing our main writer, Nick Brown, at nick@brownson.edu, or send us a DM on Instagram or Facebook. Your feedback is always appreciated to improve future editions of the *Brownson Bulletin*!

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THANK YOU FOR READING!

Thank you so much for reading this edition of the *Brownson Bulletin*. We hope that this month is enjoyable for you and helpful in your HVAC/R journey! Have an outstanding month of **January** and the rest of 2026!

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