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## **TAFE students benefit from generous donation**

Thanks to a generous donation from BPW Transpec, heavy vehicle technology students at TAFE Queensland South West have a brand new piece of training equipment which will allow them to perfect their skills.

A new disc brake and suspension assembly has been donated by BPW Transpec to the automotive campus in Warwick, Queensland and will give apprentices in the new Certificate III in Heavy Commercial Trailer Technology (AUR31812) hands on experience with the same equipment they will maintain in the workplace.

TAFE Queensland South West General Manager, Trevor Schwenke, said the donated equipment was an important addition to the program.

“This is a new qualification for TAFE Queensland South West and we recognise just how important it is to have suitably qualified tradesman servicing truck trailers,” he said.

“I’d like to thank BPW Transpec for their generosity as the axle will complement existing training and see our apprentices gain expertise in maintaining equipment used by the industry across Australia.”

The Certificate III Heavy Vehicle Commercial Technology is covered within a competency-based apprenticeship; apprentices with experience may have the opportunity to complete the program in a shorter time frame through Recognition of Prior Learning and or credit transfer from previous accredited training.

Most importantly, the qualification is developed in consultation with industry to produce tradesman who are specifically skilled to maintain heavy vehicle trailers. Road transport businesses who employ these skilled workers can be confident in the workmanship which comes from fully qualified tradesman working on their equipment.

If you would like to learn more about TAFE Queensland South West automotive courses please visit

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