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# **SIAST students volunteer on rink reno**

*Electrical students train on-site at Paddockwood hockey rink*

**November 27, 2008** – Twelve electrical students from SIAST Woodland Campus had some hands-on experience this week when they visited Paddockwood to help renovate the community's hockey rink.

Dwight St. Amand, SIAST program head, said, "We were approached by a community group to have our students come out and help re-wire the change rooms at the rink." He added, "The timing was perfect because the work coincided with the subject matter the students are learning in their program."

The students removed the old lines, planned out new circuits, drilled holes for the lines, ran new wire and replaced lights, switches and receptacles.

The job was done with Asil Electrical Contractors from Prince Albert, with the approval of SaskPower's Inspection Department and with clearance from the Saskatchewan Apprenticeship and Trade Certification Commission.

SIAST is Saskatchewan's primary public institution for post-secondary technical education and skills training, recognized nationally and internationally for its expertise and innovation. More than 13,000 students are registered in SIAST programs, which touch every sector of the economy; additionally, the organization draws almost 32,000 individual course registrations. It operates campuses in Moose Jaw, Prince Albert, Regina and Saskatoon, and provides a number of courses and programs through distance education.

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