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Students from the Culinary School receive hands-on training in restaurant technology from DBS

New Castle, Del. (January 28, 2013) – Fourteen students from The Culinary School (TCS) at the Food Bank of Delaware stepped out of the food bank’s training kitchen this afternoon and into Delaware Business Systems’ (DBS) training center for hands-on instruction in the latest restaurant point-of-sale technology.

Today’s technology demonstration launches The Culinary School’s new partnership with DBS. The partnership will enable students to get hands-on experience using the technology seen in today’s hospitality industry.

“It is great that we have initiated a new partnership with DBS to support TCS,” said Food Bank of Delaware Culinary and Nutrition Education Programs Director Jorge Velázquez. “Through our partnership, TCS students will be able to learn about the latest in restaurant technology, as well as get hands-on experience working with the technology at the DBS training center – technology that they can expect to be working with in every restaurant and culinary establishment. It’s important that we provide more than just the food preparation/handling skills needed, but also the technological skills that are necessary in order to succeed in the hospitality field.”

“We’re proud to partner with TCS,” said DBS Director of Business Development Jason Blusk. “The students will benefit in many ways, but most importantly, this partnership will provide them with a head start when entering the hospitality job market. In today’s competitive marketplace a cash register doesn’t cut it. Successful students must enter the job market ready to hit the ground running from day one. Our technology fosters a smooth transition from the classroom to the workplace. It engages and empowers the students while providing the critical skills needed to be successful in the hospitality industry.”

“My experience at DBS was very educational, because of the additional training in restaurant technology, I feel better prepared to enter the workforce,” said student Nichole Meeks.

In addition to training sessions at DBS’ New Castle location, The Culinary School’s goal is to secure funding to purchase a point of sale system for use by students at its facility in Newark and future training kitchen in Milford.

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About the Food Bank of Delaware

The Food Bank of Delaware distributes millions of pounds of food and grocery products each year through its network of 508 hunger-relief program partners throughout the state and also provides thousands of meals a month for children through the After-School Feeding Program, the Summer Food Service Program and the Backpack Program. The Food Bank's hunger-relief programs directly provide 241,600 Delawareans at risk of going without meals each year. For more information about the Food Bank of Delaware, visit www.fbd.org or call (302) 292-1305.

About DBS

DBS is responsible for representing hospitality point of sale network systems throughout the Mid-Atlantic area of the United States. It is a leading Point of Sale Company with a presence in over 12 states and the District of Columbia. DBS provides sales & support of various point of sale software technologies, computer networking design and architecture, credit card processing, training, security camera systems and a complete onsite support needs. The company has operational facilities in New Castle, Delaware, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania and Ocean City, Maryland. It employs a total workforce of over 85. Since the origin of the company in 1983, now over 2,700 clients in the hospitality industry including restaurants, hospitals, Federal government agencies and banking rely on DBS for technical support and new equipment sales