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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

### Graduation Day for Citrus Connection Employees

**Lakeland, Florida, January 3, 2012-** *Polk Works'* October 13<sup>th</sup> job fair resulted in the hiring of the newest class of Citrus Connection employees that graduated from training today, December 28<sup>th</sup> at noon. They will begin their new careers with a Transportation Safety Institution (TSI) Certification as well as their CDL Class A driver's license, and Passenger & Air Brake Endorsements. Tom Phillips, Citrus Connection Executive Director, was very enthusiastic about the caliber of his new employees and stated, "Know that what you do is more than driving a bus- we are making Lakeland a great place to live."

When asked if any of the graduates had anything to say, Wadian McIntosh stood up to say "I've done quite a few jobs before and this is the first one I can say I truly like." The group, who has been solo on their routes since December 19<sup>th</sup>, all had positive things to say about their new jobs, commenting on how nice the riders were.

The collaboration between Polk Works and Citrus Connection was partially given credit for the high retention rate of this graduating class of trainees and both parties look forward to a continuing partnership. Citrus Connection is already gearing up for the next training class that will begin January 30<sup>th</sup> is looking forward to working with Polk Works to identify potential candidates through a pre-screening process. If you are interested in applying for a position with Citrus Connection, go to [www.employflorida.com](http://www.employflorida.com), job order #9631044.

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