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Edward Jones Moves Up on Training Magazine's "Training Top 125" in 10th Consecutive Appearance

Lake Wales, FL (Grassroots Newswire) February 24, 2010 - The financial-services firm Edward Jones, which has branch offices that serve the Lake Wales area, once again has been named a top firm for training, ranking No. 31 on Training magazine's 2010 Training Top 125 list. Edward Jones has made the list for 10 years in a row, dating back to the debut of the Training Top 50 in 2001.

Edward Jones not only moved up the ranking dramatically - from No. 64 in 2009 to No. 31 this year - but also received special recognition for achieving one of the top scores in the evaluation and business metric section of the firm's application. Only four companies were recognized for top scores in this area.

"Training is an investment in our workforce, one we continue to make," said Jim Weddle, managing partner of Edward Jones. "Investing in good people and helping them to develop is one reason this firm serves clients so well. We are proud to be recognized for a principle we strongly believe in."

The firm has consistently earned high marks as an employer of choice in other national rankings. For the 10th year, Edward Jones was named one of FORTUNE magazine's "100 Best Companies to Work For 2010." The firm took the No. 2 overall spot in the ranking and also was named to the No. 1 spot for large companies. For the 17th consecutive year, Registered Representative, a trade magazine, rated Edward Jones No. 1 among the nation's leading brokerages in its anonymous survey of financial advisors from the nation's five largest brokerages.

Edward Jones provides financial services for individual investors in the United States and, through its affiliate, in Canada. Every aspect of the firm's business, from the types of investment options offered to the location of branch offices, is designed to cater to individual investors in the communities in which they live and work. The firm's 12,000-plus financial advisors work directly with nearly 7 million clients to understand their personal goals -- from college savings to retirement -- and create long-term investment solutions that emphasize a well-balanced portfolio and a buy-and-hold strategy. Edward Jones embraces the importance of building long-term, face-to-face relationships with clients, helping them to understand and make sense of the investment options available today.

Edward Jones, which ranked No. 2 on FORTUNE magazine's "100 Best Companies to Work For 2010," is headquartered in St. Louis. The Edward Jones Web site is located at [www.edwardjones.com](http://www.edwardjones.com), and its recruiting Web site is [www.careers.edwardjones.com](http://www.careers.edwardjones.com). Member SIPC.

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