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APPLIED INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGIES INC  
Form 8-K  
June 21, 2005

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d)  
OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): June 21, 2005

APPLIED INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGIES, INC.  
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(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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| OHIO<br>-----   | 1-2299<br>-----             | 34-0117420<br>-----                     |
| (State or Other Jurisdiction of<br>Incorporation or Organization) | (Commission File<br>Number) | (I.R.S. Employer<br>Identification No.) |

One Applied Plaza, Cleveland, Ohio 44115  
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(Address of Principal Executive Officers) (Zip Code)

Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code: (216) 426-4000

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

ITEM 5.02. DEPARTURE OF DIRECTORS OR PRINCIPAL OFFICERS.

Dr. Roger D. Blackwell, a member of the Board of Directors of Applied Industrial Technologies, Inc. ("Applied"), resigned on June 21, 2005, effective immediately. The resignation followed a federal jury's conviction of Dr.

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Blackwell on June 20, 2005 on insider trading and conspiracy charges related to trading in shares of Worthington Foods, Inc. in 1999. The circumstances of the charges against Dr. Blackwell and his conviction were wholly unrelated to Applied or his services as a director.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this Report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

APPLIED INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGIES, INC.  
(Registrant)

By: /s/ Fred D. Bauer

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Fred D. Bauer  
Vice President-General Counsel  
& Secretary

Date: June 21, 2005