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APPLIED INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGIES INC  
Form 8-K  
September 20, 2004

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): September 20, 2004

APPLIED INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

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(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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

One Applied Plaza, Cleveland, Ohio 44115

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(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

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

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

ITEM 7.01. REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE

The following information is furnished pursuant to Item 7.01, "Regulation FD Disclosure".

Attached as Exhibit 99 and incorporated by reference herein is the text of registrant's press release dated September 20, 2004 regarding sales and earnings guidance for the first quarter of fiscal 2005 as well as the entire

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year.

ITEM 9.01. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

Exhibit 99 - Press release of Applied Industrial Technologies, Inc. dated September 20, 2004.

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: September 20, 2004

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. -----	Description -----
99	Press release of Applied Industrial Technologies, Inc. dated September 20, 2004.