

Benefits for Students

Hands on experience would allow students to see how basic skill sets and classes, like blueprint reading, math, science and english were actually applied on the manufacturing floor.

By understanding how various parts are produced and manufacturing works, it could help students chose a design route for further education with an insight into the vast opportunities available locally in manufacturing.



Benefits for Manufacturing

Manufacturing benefited by gaining a new, fresh view on our everyday activities; having questions asked about why something is done in a certain way often sparks new ideas.

The students completed tasks that someone else would have had to complete, saved us time.

Students gave us good insight on what work instructions were lacking for our department.

Gave manufacturing a direct connection to school, students and curriculum to ready future workforce.



What We Heard

Benefits for School

Students have opportunity to experience updated systems not available in school (i.e. new CAD, robotics system) in real life manufacturing application.

Experiences with manufacturing businesses reinforce the need for classroom instruction with a high level of rigor.

Interaction with manufacturing co-workers speeds up the learning process for students.

Manufacturing reinforces the need for repetition and preciseness in education through practical applications like product testing.

Manufacturing compliments school guidance by providing community support for career exploration.

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WAUPACA COUNTY

Investing in Our Future Workforce

School to Manufacturing Partnership





SCHOOL TO MANUFACTURING PARTNERSHIP

How It Works:

- High School Juniors are eligible. Students may apply for the program during the spring term of their sophomore or junior year.
- Selected students will be employed by a manufacturing partner.
- Junior or senior year in high school includes coursework



based on employer's input, industry driven skills and DPI standards.

- If employer is interested additional employment

of youth is possible.

- Employer, student, parents and school will not be required to sign a contract, but will sign a Memorandum of Understanding about participation and expectations.



What Happens Next:

- Manufacturer/student can choose to either continue or end the employment relationship after graduation.

And/Or

- The employer may offer the student educational incentives to complete a certificate, technical, associate, or four-year degree program.



University of Wisconsin, U.S. Department of Agriculture and Wisconsin counties cooperating. UW-Extension provides equal opportunities in employment and programming including Title IX and ADA.

Expectations:

Employers will provide meaningful work experiences that enhance high school academic curriculum and encourage students to pursue careers in manufacturing.

Student employees will be expected to follow the same rules as all other company employees at their business.

Parents will support their child's participation and ensure transportation is provided.

Schools will partner with manufacturing to tailor a course path that will support the opportunity in manufacturing.

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