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Hub Happenings

Manufacturing Month and the Holidays

As Manufacturing Month comes to a close, we reflect on the vital role of U.S. manufacturing in driving innovation, creating high-quality jobs, and strengthening local economies. From facility tours to hands-on learning events, manufacturers, educators, and workforce partners have highlighted rewarding careers and efforts to close the skilled labor gap.

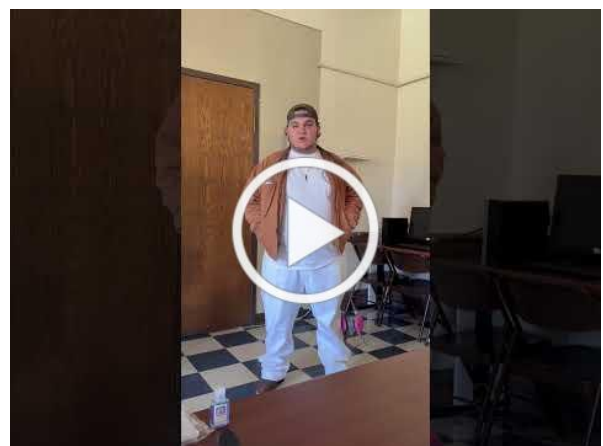
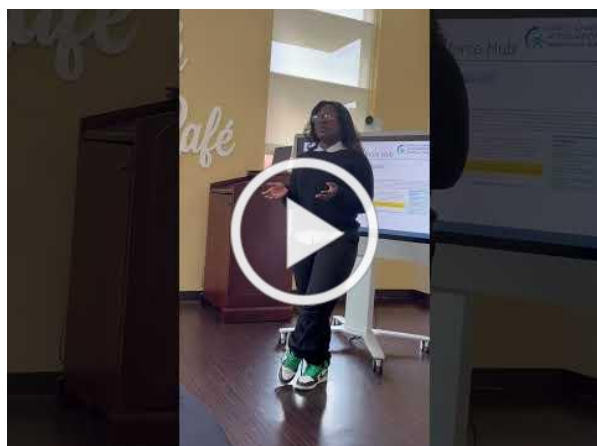


At the Hub, we're proud to advance this work through Registered Apprenticeship (RA), connecting employers with skilled talent, empowering workers with industry-recognized credentials, and strengthening the manufacturing workforce nationwide. As we enter the Thanksgiving and holiday season, we're grateful for the U.S. Department of Labor's (DOL) support, our partners' dedication, and, above all, the apprentices themselves.

Unlock Career Success Through Apprenticeship

Welcome back to our monthly spotlight series! Each month, we share real stories from RA programs supported by the Hub through our role as a DOL RA industry intermediary.

The Hub recently joined Job Corps students, employers, and partners for two inspiring Lunch & Learn events in New Hampshire and Oneonta, NY. Attendees explored how RA programs turn training into meaningful career pathways, helping graduates secure rewarding jobs while strengthening local workforce development.



Welcome New Partners!

Community Colleges of Appalachia (CCA) unites colleges across the Appalachian region to advance education, workforce development, and economic opportunity. Partnering with the Hub, CCA will strengthen regional training pathways through RA, helping students gain in-demand skills and connect with high-quality careers close to home.



Rural Community College Alliance (RCCA) supports rural colleges nationwide in expanding access to education, workforce training, and community development. Through

collaboration with the Hub, RCCA will integrate RA opportunities that connect learners with local employers and build stronger rural economies.

Southeast Ohio Tech Prep equips students with career-ready skills through hands-on, technical education aligned with employer needs. In partnership with the Hub, the program will enhance career pathways through RA, giving students a direct route to skilled, well-paying jobs in their communities.



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New Hampshire Job Corps Center provides young adults with the education and training needed to succeed in today's workforce. Partnering with the Hub, the center will place graduates into meaningful jobs that offer RA opportunities, helping students transition from training to high-demand careers.

Oneonta Job Corps Center in New York empowers students to gain valuable technical and professional skills for meaningful employment. Working with the Hub, Oneonta Job Corps will connect graduates with quality jobs and RA programs, ensuring students have clear pathways to long-term career success.

Where We've Been

CESMII Smart Manufacturing Roadshow

When: October 13, 2025

Where: Eustis, FL

Part of a nationwide Smart Manufacturing Roadshow, this event brought together small and medium-sized manufacturers, MEPs, and local students to explore innovations in smart manufacturing.



Oneonta Job Corps Lunch & Learn

When: October 16, 2025

Where: Oneonta, NY

The Hub team joined the Oneonta Job Corps Center for an inspiring RA Lunch & Learn. Students, employers, and workforce partners came together to explore how Job Corps and RA can connect training to meaningful career pathways.



Ohio Apprenticeship RA Sponsorship Accelerator

When: October 27, 2025

Where: Cincinnati, OH

The final Hub Accelerator in Cincinnati, OH, highlighted the benefits of RA sponsorship for local employers and stakeholders. Hosted by the Hub, the event offered an engaging discussion for organizations exploring apprenticeship opportunities or seeking to build a skilled workforce.



Center for Energy Workforce Development (CEWD) Summit

When: November 18–20, 2025

Where: Washington, DC

The Hub's business development and marketing lead, Dina Igoe, joined national partners across the energy sector to elevate RA as a proven pathway into high-growth, high-demand occupations. From engaging discussions to new connections, the event showcased the growing momentum behind apprenticeship as a strategic workforce solution.



Mentoring Gen Z for Success Webinar

Women in Manufacturing (WiM) and the Hub co-hosted an engaging webinar, "Mentoring Gen Z for Success in Apprenticeships and the Workplace." Experts Dorinda Byers, Dr. Kimberly Harris, and Cori Di Biase shared insights on understanding Gen Z values, communication styles, and leadership potential.



DOL and Industry News



Manufacturing Day 2025: A Skilled Workforce Should Be the Nation's First Priority

"It's time to provide pathways for more of our youth to obtain the technical skills necessary for today's job market."

Colorado Schools Turn to Apprenticeships to Fill Jobs

"High schools and community colleges in Colorado are increasingly offering students an alternative to a four-year degree: training programs that will prepare them for well-paying jobs in manufacturing."



U.S. registered apprenticeship a key tool to goal of one million apprentices annually



"In late April, U.S. President Donald Trump signed an executive order that directed his secretaries to come up with a blueprint to reach and surpass one million new apprentices each year."

Hub Resources

The Hub helps [employers](#), [education institutions](#), [workforce development boards](#) and [career seekers](#) — all at no cost:

- ▶ Offer [incentive funding](#) and [technical assistance](#) to RA sponsors and employers
- ▶ Provide support for national and state registration of RA programs
- ▶ Conduct education and outreach to key stakeholders about benefits of RAPs in supply chain automation
- ▶ Connect interested employers with education and training providers, and workforce organizations
- ▶ Support education institutions offering applied learning aligned to in-demand careers and pathways to a college degree and/or certification
- ▶ Assist in outreach and marketing efforts to promote RAs
- ▶ Identify state and federal funding opportunities

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