

— ROCK COUNTY — WORKFORCE TALENT PIPELINE

An employer's guide to youth and adult workforce development activities and programming in Rock County to augment your employee retention and recruitment efforts.



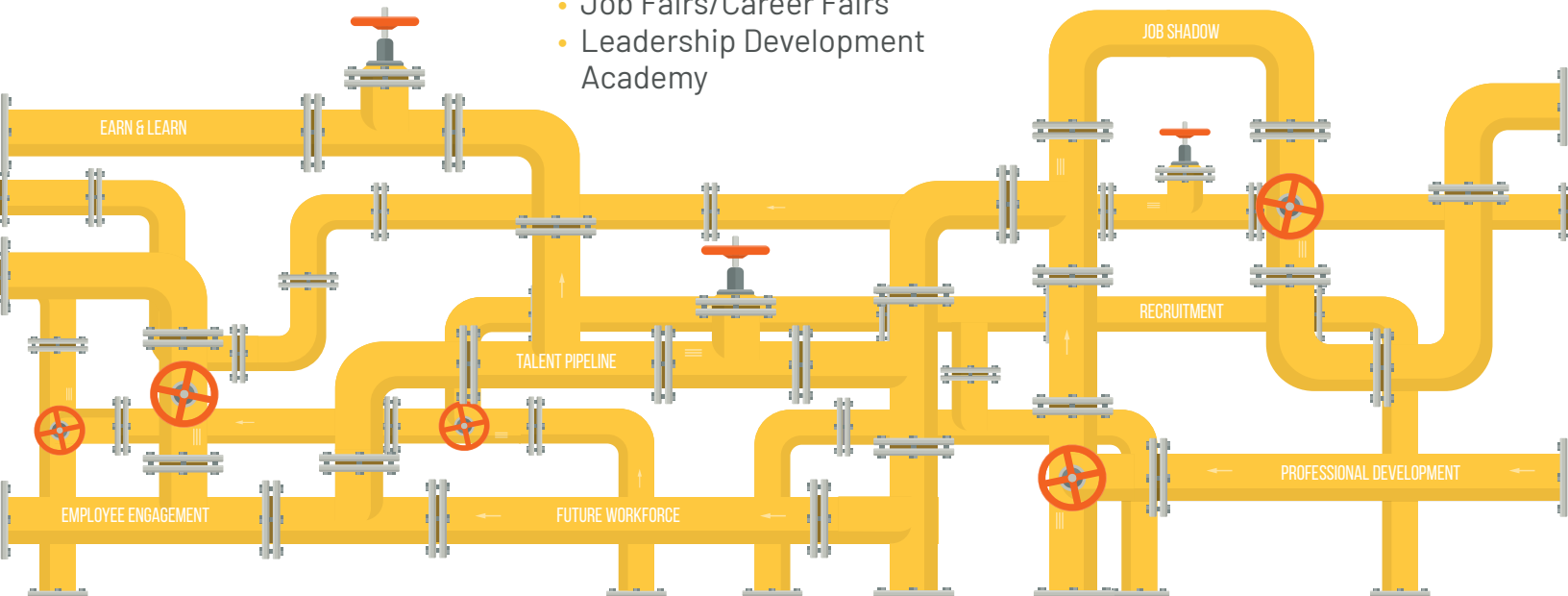
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The listing below is intended to serve as a quick reference guide. The level of engagement, financial and time commitments attributed to each offering can and will increase, accordingly. While these activities and programming are designed to be integrated, there are various opt-in and opt-out and/or customization opportunities.



ADULT Activities & Programming

Blackhawk Scholars/IDEAL Scholars

(Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, Accessibility & Launch Scholars)

This is a paid (\$12/hr. minimum), earn-and-learn, talent pipeline development offering flexible, competency-based and accelerated learning opportunities.

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College Recruitment

To engage with our local higher education partners, visit:

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UW-WHITEWATER AT ROCK COUNTY

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Customized Training

Various customized training opportunities (both technical and supervisory), supported by state and/or federal funding, to up-skill incumbent workers and new employees in both technical and soft skills. Training is offered through in-person and virtual formats.

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Impact Beloit Community Fellows Program

A year-long, project-based program placing Beloit College students with local organizations to build career-ready skills while supporting community needs.

Jessica Fox-Wilson | foxjs@beloit.edu

Impact Beloit Concierge Internship Program

A year-long internship program connecting Beloit College juniors and seniors with Beloit-area companies for hands-on experience, mentorship, and meaningful community impact.

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Leadership Development Academy

LDA is comprised of individuals, businesses and organizations interested in positively impacting our communities by providing a personal and professional empowerment experience for aspiring leaders.

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Registered Apprenticeships

Registered Apprenticeship (RA) is a formal, adult earn-and-learn credentialing program governed by the WI Bureau of Apprenticeship. Approximately 90% of the training represents on-the-job, while 10% is classroom based.

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Rock Externship

Rock Externship is a paid summer externship for high school teachers/staff, providing a comprehensive workplace immersion opportunity.

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YourRockExternship.com

Rock County Job Center of Wisconsin Recruitment, Training & Resources

The Rock County Job Center offers employers a variety of services, which include, but are not limited to: job posting/applicant screening; pre-employment and/or on-boarding aptitude and competency training; leased employees; post-incarceration reentry/vocational rehabilitation programming; job fairs/hiring events; training; labor market data and wage information; etc.

TRAINING/RESOURCES

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JOB FAIRS/HIRING EVENTS

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Stateline Literacy Council

The Stateline Literacy Council can work with your company to provide customized classes to meet your needs. Our staff and instructors are experienced in instructional design and delivery and have work experience in various industries including manufacturing, customer service, banking, hospitality, and food service.

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The listing below is intended as a quick reference guide for employers to connect, engage and interact with today's youth and tomorrow's workers; and to provide youth with experiential, career development and exploration opportunities. Structured single or multi-day activities are intended to provide hands-on applications, as well as mentoring.



YOUTH Activities & Programming

AIM (Accelerated Industrial Maintenance) Program

The AIM Certificate is a partnership program between the Southwest Workforce Development Board (SWWDB) and Blackhawk Technical College. The certificate is comprised of three Blackhawk courses which provide a foundational set of skills for those seeking careers in industrial maintenance/technology, which can be applied toward a Maintenance Technical Diploma. This program includes career exploration opportunities at local manufacturers and an hourly wage will be paid to the students.

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Beloit Fresh Start YouthBuild AmeriCorps Program

An education and job-training program for at-risk youth, providing opportunities for youth to help themselves while helping others in the community. Youth are enrolled full-time and attend 32 to 34 hours a week. Half of their time is spent in an intensive individualized educational program to complete their high school education or GED, while the remainder of their time is spent in construction, community service, leadership development, employability and various life skills classes.

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Career Academies & Camps

To provide youth in the Greater Beloit Region with experiential, career development and exploration opportunities which include employer involvement in the areas, such as: job shadows, employer panels, tours, etc. Structured single or multi-day activities are intended to provide hands-on applications, as well as mentoring.

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Craftsman with Character

This is a 16-week job shadowing course in partnership with local high schools and businesses to introduce students to career options in the trades. This course is 80% job shadowing in a real-world manufacturing environment and 20% classroom instruction that helps students explore the role of character in a professional trades environment.

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Mock/Practice Interviews

A volunteer-run program that connects workforce/community volunteers with high school students to enhance their interview and resume-writing skills. Several Greater Beloit area high schools participate; contact us to learn how you can get involved!

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Rock Internship

This is a paid, earn-and-learn, talent pipeline development offering flexible, competency-based and accelerated opportunities for incoming high school seniors.

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Stateline Manufacturing Alliance

The Stateline Manufacturing Alliance (SMA) serves as a regional catalyst for talent recruitment and development in the fields of advanced manufacturing through collective efforts, initiatives and partnerships.

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Talons Exploration Days

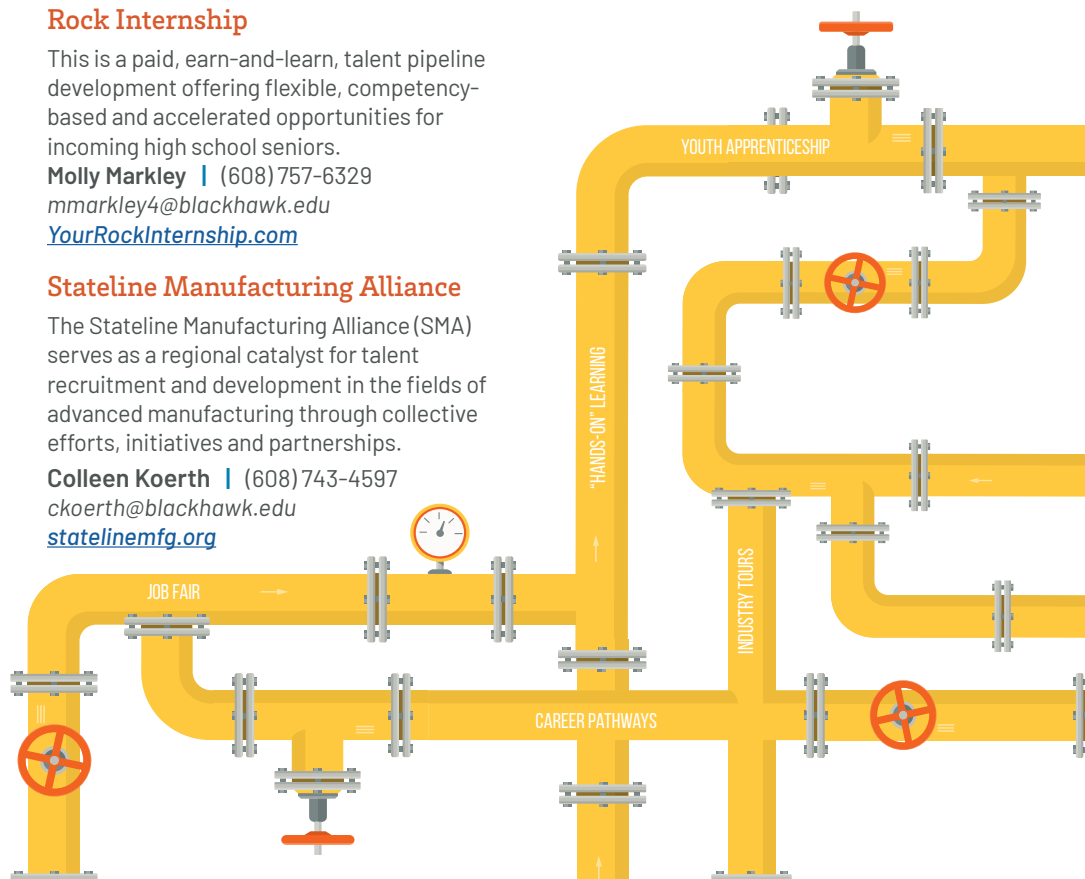
Collaborative Rock-Green County initiatives educate, expose and inform high school students about careers or job opportunities in the health and manufacturing sector through employee partnerships.

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Youth Apprenticeship

Youth Apprenticeship (YA) provides a one or two-year (i.e. 450-900 hours), earn-and-learn program designed for high school juniors and seniors. During the apprenticeship period, students earn credit toward high school graduation; and receive relevant hands-on work experience and exposure from a worksite mentor.

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HIGH SCHOOL Contact Information

Connect with your local high school on a variety of opportunities to support career based learning activities.

Beloit Memorial High School

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Beloit Turner High School

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Clinton High School

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Edgerton High School

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Evansville High School

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The Lincoln Academy

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Milton High School

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Oakhill Christian School

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Parkview High School

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Rock County Christian High School

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School District of Janesville

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**This information was collected from various sources and is subject to change without notice.*



Rock County Christian School
Shaping Hearts and Minds in the Truth