



OCTOBER 2017 IS NOW NEW HAMPSHIRE MANUFACTURING MONTH!

An entire month of celebrating manufacturing in New Hampshire!

For the last 4 years New Hampshire Manufacturing Extension Partnership with help from the Division of Resources and Economic Development, the Business and Industry Association, the New Hampshire High Tech Council, the Community College System of New Hampshire, the New Hampshire Department of Education and many other partners organized what was Manufacturing Week.

Each year that passed brought more excitement and enthusiasm with visits from high school students to manufacturers going from 849 in 2013 to 1,842 in 2016. Those 2016 numbers include 44 high schools and CTE centers as opposed to 2013's 16 high schools and CTE centers. Manufacturer's participation also increased from 35 in 2013 to 55 in 2016, with more wanting to participate but opting out due to scheduling conflicts. Due to the rapid growth, we have decided to increase the week to a month in an effort to have even more participation this year.

What is it all about?

The logistics will stay the same, that throughout October, high school and middle school students will be going on field trips to visit local manufacturers. During those trips, manufacturers will have the opportunity to show students how cool manufacturing is and inform them of all the in demand careers their field has to offer. Students will have the chance to interact with employees and get an up-close look at the ins and outs of manufacturing in New Hampshire. For manufacturers it opens up a new supply of talent to help them build the future skilled manufacturing workforce.

NH CTE's and community colleges will also schedule open houses in the month of October for students and members of the community. The schools will have the opportunity to show off their advanced manufacturing programs, facilities, and machines. Potential students will learn about all of the educational options in advanced manufacturing and will leave convinced that staying local and building a future here in New Hampshire is the best career move for them.

What did the students say?

Students had this to say about their visits to manufacturers in 2016:

- Very interesting to see how the facilities worked and how the machines all worked together to make the product.
- The field trip was highly informative and interesting. It gave me a broad variety of different things manufactured right in our local area.
- The field trip was really great! I learned a lot and can honestly say it's one of the best field trips that I've been on with the school.
- It was eye-opening in the sense that I could be doing something like this in the future.

To participate:

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