

## **Career Navigator News**

### **North and East zone**

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#### **Small Engine, Marine and Outdoor Equipment Career Tour**

On Wednesday, March 2 the seven schools listed below visited the businesses listed below for a career exploration tour. It was fantastic! The partners talked about different jobs in the industry, training and education needed and available, what they look for in an employee, job outlook, working conditions and expectations, and income ranges. In addition the teachers are sharing information on where these students can be trained or go to school and helping them get signed up if they want to follow up in this career area. On behalf of the schools I want to thank our industry partners, I have heard nothing but good things about the day and you got many students to think about and consider this industry as a future career.

#### **Tour partners:**

Smitty's Marine - Lake City  
Al's Specialty and Marine - Rochester  
Midwest Machinery - Plainview  
Midwest Machinery - St. Charles  
River Valley Powersports - Red Wing  
River Valley Powersports - Rochester  
Universal Marine and RV - Rochester  
M & M Lawn and Leisure - Pine Island  
Midwest Machinery - Cannon Falls  
Plainview Powersports - Plainview  
Parkside Marina - Wabasha  
Cannon Power Equip. - Cannon Falls

#### **Schools touring:**

Cannon Falls High School  
Zumbrota-Mazeppa High School  
Plainview-Elgin-Millville High School  
Wabasha-Kellogg High School  
St.Charles High School  
Dover-Eyota High School  
Pine Island High School

#### **Southeast Minnesota High School Art Show - At the Rochester Art Center**

This past weekend 12 Southeast Minnesota high schools dropped off art work to be shown at the Rochester Art Center (RAC). On Monday three Goodhue students came to work alongside the RAC staff to set up the display. It was a great learning experience for the students. In addition the students will be interviewed by KTTC this Saturday, March 5 at the official opening of the show. The artwork is amazing and I encourage everyone to come and see the work the students from Southeast Minnesota are capable of doing. There is a lot to be proud of regarding the students in this area, just come and see. The show will run until March 27 during normal RAC hours, 11AM to 4PM Wednesday through Sunday each week. I would encourage you to

stop in between section basketball tournament games over the next 10 days if you are there to root for your school. The show is free but donations to the art center are always appreciated. I want to thank the Rochester Art Center for cooperating with the art teachers in Southeast Minnesota for the last 10 years to provide this show.

### **Southeast Minnesota Automotive Repair and Restoration Career Tour**

Later this month I am holding another career tour for students from the schools listed below. Again I want to thank in advance the following tour partners for hosting these students. I expect it to be a spectacular experience for these students and again we will make sure we connect those students to the training they will need to fill their interest in this career area.

#### **Tour Partners:**

Rochester Ford  
Rochester Chevrolet  
Superior Quality Rides and  
Restoration (SQR) - Rochester  
Ron's Auto Body - St. Charles  
Precision Auto Body - St. Charles  
Tom Heffernan Ford - Lake City  
Whitewater Dodge/Jeep - St. Charles  
Eide Dodge Jeep - Zumbrota  
Zumbrota Ford - Zumbrota  
Flagship Chevrolet - Zumbrota  
Wehrs Bod and Rod - Elgin  
R & K Auto body - Elgin  
Jim's Auto Repair - Rochester  
Penz GMC, Buick, Nissan - Rochester  
Safelite Auto glass - Rochester

Adamsons Chrysler - Jeep - Rochester

#### **Schools touring:**

Cannon Falls High School  
Zumbrota- Mazeppa High School  
Goodhue High School  
Goodhue County Education District  
Pine Island High School  
Plainview-Elgin-Millville High School  
Wabasha-Kellogg High School  
St. Charles High School  
Dover-Eyota High School  
Byron High School  
Kasson Mantorville High School  
Stewartville High School

#### **Spring and Summer Internships needed**

As the school year is coming to a close I am hoping to connect students with internships and job shadows during the summer months. Summer is a key time for students to explore their

interests. If your business has an interest in offering a summer internship please contact me at the email or number below. These experiences can be one day, a week, couple weeks or all summer long. Contact me and we can get your company on our Future Forward site and post these opportunities for students. I look forward to working with you real soon.

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