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MFG Day in the Dayton Region

*Students, Parents, Educators, and the General Public
are Invited to Open Houses Across the Dayton Region*

DAYTON, OHIO - Manufacturing Day will take place on October 4 this year. This event is part of an effort to draw greater attention to the outstanding opportunities that a career in manufacturing can provide, and promotes the pursuit of skills that can lead to a long-term career.

This nationwide event is organized locally by the Dayton Region Manufacturers Association (DRMA) in partnership with FASTLANE-MEP. It is designed to improve the public's knowledge and perception of manufacturing careers and their value to the economy.

Last year, 51 DRMA member companies held open houses for schools, the general public, and local government representatives, totaling 64 companies from the region participating. With 4,300 students from 60 schools and 5 homeschoools, this was one of the largest turn outs in the nation.

Manufacturing jobs in the Dayton region are vital to the local economy and workforce. More than 123,000 workers are employed at almost 2,600 companies across the region. These workers earn a combined \$8.8 billion a year and the local average hourly wage for a machinist is just over \$21.

Students, parents, educators, and the general public are invited to attend and . . .

- Learn about the equipment, technologies, tools, challenges and innovations
- What modern manufacturing facilities are really like
- Talk to owners and highly skilled technicians
- See what the companies located in our communities do and how they do it
- See what kinds of jobs are available in manufacturing
- Learn the skills and education needed to qualify for today's manufacturing jobs

Visit www.Mfgday.com to find a list of open houses and to register to attend. (Reservations preferred; space is limited)

The Dayton Region Manufacturers Association (DRMA) provides programming, education, and peer-to-peer connectivity opportunities for members serving the aerospace, agricultural, medical, construction, defense and other markets. It represents over 200 manufacturers in the Dayton Region and has 400 member companies. Manufacturing in the Dayton Region employs over 123,000 workers earning \$8.8 billion in annual payroll. For more information about DRMA, visit www.DaytonRMA.org.

