REPORT

2022 - 2023



Make Your :Future



INTRODUCTION

Despite manufacturing being one of the largest industries in Illinois with plentiful career opportunities at every educational level, GCAMP's research shows that less than 20% of high school students learn about manufacturing in school. GCAMP, the Greater Chicago Advanced Manufacturing Partnership, fills the manufacturing education gap by introducing Chicago area students to the world of manufacturing.

GCAMP expands students' perception and understanding of manufacturing with our educational outreach.

EDUCATING STUDENTS

GCAMP goes into schools and community centers to meet students in their classrooms and present at career exploration events and hiring fairs. When possible, we bring industry professionals with us. We also provide students with racial and gender inclusive online and print career exploration resources.

During 22/23, GCAMP was honored to present at:

- Wheeling High School
- East Aurora High School
- West Aurora High School
- Geneva High School
- Fox Valley Family YMCA



- Waubonsee Community College
 John Hersey High School
 - Rolling Meadows High School
 - Weisner Family Center
 - Batavia High School



HOSTING TOURS



GCAMP brings students into manufacturing facilities so they can be inspired by the hightech robotics, automation, and engineering driving advanced manufacturing.

- Our surveys indicate the amount of students who were considering a career in manufacturing before a tour more than doubled after taking a GCAMP manufacturing tour!
- 98% of students surveyed report having a better understanding of the connections between STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math) and real-world applications after going on a GCAMP tour.

SUPPORTING INTEREST <<<



GCAMP strengthens students' interest in manufacturing through free supplies, grants, and student and educator awards.

- In 2023, over \$3,000 worth of free manufacturing supplies were given to: Indian Valley Vocational Center, Hoffman Estates High School, South Elgin High School, Harper Community College, and Oswego High School.
- Grants from GCAMP were awarded to the WildStang Robotics Program and the Marshmallow Menagerie Robotics Team.
- GCAMP launched the Outstanding **Manufacturing Student and Educator** awards to celebrate the future of manufacturing.







By supporting GCAMP, you ensure that young people are learning about manufacturing and are being encouraged to seek manufacturing careers.

Thank you to our 2022-2023 Circle of Champions

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