



# IMPACT REPORT

2023 - 2024

MAKE YOUR FUTURE

# Introduction

GCAMP is dedicated to making the future of manufacturing. We **educate** young people about the exciting, high-skill, and high-paying career opportunities in manufacturing. We **connect** students to our manufacturing partners to promote mutually beneficial relationships. And we **support** students as they begin their manufacturing career journey.



In 2023-24, GCAMP teamed up with the following schools, career centers, and community youth groups to promote the manufacturing industry:

- APS Training Academy
- Barrington High School
- Boys and Girls Club (South Elgin)
- College of DuPage
- Compass Academy
- Dundee Crown High School
- East Aurora High School
- Eastview Middle School
- Elgin High School
- Geneva High School
- Harper Community College
- Hoffman Estates High School
- Indian Valley Vocational Center
- Jacobs High School
- John Hersey High School
- Lake County Tech Campus
- Larkin High School
- Oswego East High School
- Oswego High School
- Rolling Meadows High School
- Schaumburg High School
- South Elgin High School
- Streamwood High School
- Technology Center of DuPage
- Waubensee Community College
- Waubonsie Valley High School
- Weisner Family Career Center
- West Aurora High School
- West Chicago High School
- Wong Center for Education



## Educating The Future



GCAMP is bringing manufacturing education directly to students through **school and community center visits** and interactive sessions.



GCAMP **manufacturing tours** give students essential insights into the manufacturing industry, connecting classroom learning with real-world applications.



GCAMP's **website** offers "Day in the Life" videos and up-to-date career information from the Dept of Labor for a variety of manufacturing careers.

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!



**GCAMP hosted 14 MFG Tours this past year!!**





# Connecting The Future

**GCAMP's Job Board** provides a clear path to kicking off a manufacturing career, connecting students with internships, apprenticeships, and other entry-level opportunities.

**GCAMP's Education Board** (in development) will connect students with post-secondary education options for students wanting to build their manufacturing skills before entering the workforce.

**GCAMP Manufacturing Breakfasts** connect schools with industry professionals and community leaders.

**GCAMP's Calendar of Events** offers information on career expos, fairs, and other school events. Through these events, manufacturers are creating partnerships with schools to build their own talent pipelines.



“GCAMP is putting in the work to get kids interested in GREAT careers in manufacturing. The mission has never been more critical to the long term health of the industry in the US.”

- Michael Piwoni, Amsted Automotive

Locally,  
Manufacturing  
was the:  
**#1 largest  
industry by GDP  
in Kane County,  
#4 in DuPage  
County and,  
#4 in Cook  
County in 2023.**

*Bureau of  
Economic  
Analysis -  
bea.gov*



## Supporting The Future

GCAMP supports manufacturing education through:

- **Awards:** GCAMP honors exceptional individuals with the Outstanding Manufacturing Student and Outstanding Manufacturing Educator awards. Recipients are celebrated at the VIA Spark awards, receiving industry recognition and a cash prize.
- **Grants:** Our annual grant program funds initiatives that engage young people in STEM, engineering, robotics, and other manufacturing-related skills.
- **Supplies:** Through the generous support of our donors, GCAMP is able to provide donated supplies and materials to schools teaching manufacturing skills.

**In 2023-2024, GCAMP donated over \$15,000 worth of manufacturing supplies to schools and vocational centers.**

Support from our caring community has been key to our success.  
Together, we are creating the future of manufacturing.  
**THANK YOU!**

## **Our 2024 Circle of Champions:**

<b>VISIONARIES \$10,000+</b>	<b>INNOVATORS \$5,000</b>	<b>EXECUTIVES \$2,500</b>
 VILLAGE OF SCHAUMBURG PROGRESS THROUGH THOUGHTFUL PLANNING  Beyond BUSINESS FRIENDLY ELK GROVE VILLAGE, IL  VILLAGE OF HOFFMAN ESTATES GROWING TO GREATNESS  IMEC Plan. Implement. Excel.	   Kuriyama of America, Inc.  THE DIEMASTERS A WEISS-AUG GROUP COMPANY  CUSTOM ALUMINUM PRODUCTS	   SWISS AUTOMATION, INC.  Mazak
<b>LEADERS \$1,000</b>	<b>MENTORS \$500</b>	
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