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Celebrate Manufacturing in Wisconsin: Participate in Manufacturing Month

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October is Manufacturing Month, a time when manufacturers throughout Wisconsin open their doors to school students and the public for facility tours and open houses. This October, Manufacturing Month highlights many exciting and challenging manufacturing careers and underscores the importance of manufacturers to Wisconsin's economy.

Visit www.wimanufacturingmonth.org to see a list of manufacturers hosting events this October and learn about their products, which range from innovative paper and adhesive labeling to 3-D printed products and orthodontic devices. Several October expos at Wisconsin technical colleges and high schools also offer a valuable opportunity for students to interact with companies about the exciting and diverse careers in manufacturing.

One in six Wisconsin workers is directly employed in manufacturing, outpacing the national average of 9 percent. The average pay for a manufacturing worker in Wisconsin is \$53,000 per year, more than \$10,000 per year higher than the average pay for all Wisconsin private-sector workers. The Wisconsin Department of Revenue forecasts that manufacturing employment will continue to grow in the coming years, adding thousands of well-paying jobs for skilled workers.

Manufacturing is a key driver of Wisconsin's economy, contributing more than \$53 billion to Wisconsin's economic output, or nearly 20% of our state's gross domestic product. We have worked to make the state's tax code competitive through provisions such as the Manufacturing and Agriculture Tax Credit, which encourages manufacturing production in our state. This and other incentives have helped make Wisconsin's tax climate for manufacturing companies one of the best in the country.

With well over 9,000 manufacturing companies located in Wisconsin, our state produces many fascinating products. Take time this October to attend a Manufacturing Month event and learn about products proudly made in Wisconsin and the exciting job opportunities in manufacturing.

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