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State Helps Families Explore Career Options in Indiana's High-Demand Industries
Kick-off event at Chapelwood Elementary School

The [Indiana Commission for Higher Education](#) co-hosted a Family Career Night to help parents enroll in the state's [Next Level Jobs](#) Workforce Ready Grant program and inform students of various careers in Indiana's highest-demand industries: Advanced Manufacturing, Building and Construction, Health and Life Sciences, Information Technology (IT) and Business Services, and Transportation and Logistics.

"It's never too early to start encouraging young students to explore the variety of career options Indiana has to offer," said Indiana Commissioner for Higher Education Teresa Lubbers. "Our goal is to prepare more students for high-wage, in-demand jobs by the time they graduate high school, and early exposure to these careers will help."

Co-hosted by Chapelwood Elementary School of Wayne Township, the Family Career Night event kicked off the Commission's 2019 Career Ready campaign which aims to help identify the interests of students and families and link them to relevant career options.

"Hosting a family career evening inspires our students and families to consider new opportunities and career paths through the Governor's Next Level Jobs Indiana initiative," said Danielle Ouellette, a sixth grade teacher at the school. "We are honored to be a part of helping families in the community make connections that will improve their lives."

The following local employers were in attendance to demonstrate their trades and answer questions about open positions:

- Allison Transmission
- Indianapolis International Airport
- Wayne Township Transportation
- Wayne Township Adult Education
- Indy Star
- Red's Donuts
- Gnassi Racing Team
- West 10th Dental
- Ezkenazi Health
- Wayne Township Fire Department
- Cummins Mental Health
- Jameson Camp
- US Army
- Build Your Future
- Minority Contractors Coalition
- SiteOne Landscape Supply

The state encourages other schools and communities to host regional events with employers to help families identify career interests and employment opportunities. For event ideas, visit <https://learnmoreindiana.org/educators/classroom-materials/>.



Local employers spoke with students and parents at Chapelwood Elementary School about Indiana's high-demand industries.

About the Indiana Commission for Higher Education

The Indiana Commission for Higher Education is a 14-member public body created in 1971 to define the missions of Indiana's colleges and universities, plan and coordinate the state's postsecondary education system, and ensure that Indiana's higher education system is aligned to meet the needs of students and the state. The Commission includes representatives from each Congressional district, three at-large members, a college faculty representative and a college student representative. Learn more about the Commission's *Reaching Higher, Delivering Value* strategic plan at www.in.gov/che/.

Learn More Indiana

Learn More Indiana is a partnership of state and local organizations working to help Hoosiers of all ages complete education and training beyond high school. To view a variety of college- and career-readiness resources, visit <https://learnmoreindiana.org/>.

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