



Teachers Tour Guide

TOUR PREPARATION CHECKLIST

Thank you for your willingness to take your students on a tour during the Minnesota Manufactured Statewide Tour of Manufacturing. We think you'll agree—the tour is a terrific way for your students to learn about modern manufacturing in Minnesota.

Learn more at mnmfg.org/statewidetour.

HERE ARE A FEW TIPS THAT WILL MAXIMIZE LEARNING OUTCOMES FOR YOUR STUDENTS:

- ☐ Use award-winning Minnesota Manufactured resources to prepare your students. These free resources can be used before or after the tour to enhance outcomes. **All are available at mnmfg.org/statewidetour.**
 - Teacher Guide: a customizable 80-page curriculum resource recommended for students grades 6-12 that can be downloaded from mnmfg.org/educators/teacher-guide. You might want to use one or more lessons before the tour and use the rest after.
- Manufacturing Career Tool: a short, career assessment tool that matches aptitudes to various manufacturing careers.
- ☐ Have students research the company's website.
- ☐ Based on their research and use of the Minnesota Manufactured resources, have students prepare 2-3 questions to ask during the tour.
- ☐ Instruct your students to wear closed-toe shoes. (You may want to check with the manufacturer to see if there are any additional recommendations.)
- ☐ Let your students know that manufacturers expect them to act professionally.
- ☐ Tell students where they can find additional information about manufacturing jobs (see sidebar).
- ☐ Follow your school's timeline and required protocols for arranging field trips.
- ☐ Follow-up after the tour with a thank you to the manufacturer.

MANUFACTURING CAREERS INFORMATION

Use the Manufacturing Career Tool found at yourfutureinmanufacturing.com.

Watch manufacturing career videos at:
mnmfg.org/statewidetour

Check out DEED's Career & Education Explorer data tool at: bit.ly/DEED-Career-Info



INTRODUCING THE MINNESOTA MANUFACTURED BADGE PATHWAY!

Discover Manufacturing Career Opportunities

Open Doors

Earn and share digital badges while working toward a Minnesota Manufactured Educational scholarship at the participating college of your choice!

Claim the Footloose badge after completing the tour!

READ MORE AT:

mnmfg.org/students/badge-pathway

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Since 2011, the Statewide Tour has reached



119,487
People



23,049
K-12 Students



204
Schools



934
Educators



1,059
Manufacturers



1,556
Tours

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