

# STELLANTIS4DETROIT

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With the new Advanced Manufacturing Career Academy at Detroit's Southeastern High School, students can explore and prepare for a range of high-demand manufacturing careers — right out of high school.



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## A NEW PROGRAM BRINGS NEW OPPORTUNITIES

Spring brought some good news for students at Southeastern High School: Detroit Public Schools Community District (DPSCD), in partnership with Stellantis and the City of Detroit (Detroit at Work), announced the completion of Phase 1 of the new Advanced Manufacturing Career Academy.

The career pathway program will deliver unique in-school Career Technical Education (CTE) training in advanced manufacturing and information technology. Along with their traditional high school courses, students will learn about CNC machinery, welding, robotics, mechatronics, and other relevant industry courses.

“Integral to our investment of \$2.5 billion in the Detroit Assembly Complex and creation of nearly 5,000 new jobs, we’ve been actively listening and engaging the community,” said Christine Estreicher, Director – State Relations, Civic Engagement and External Affairs for Stellantis.

“We learned that the community is very passionate about its need for a long-term commitment to education and career opportunities.”



“In response, we partnered with DPSCD and the City of Detroit and invested an additional \$4 million to create the Advanced Manufacturing Career Academy,” Estreicher said.

In the first of two phases, classroom spaces were fully renovated to support the new Information Technology Networking courses. Students will have access to new computers, technology support and a new online course, Introduction to Advanced Manufacturing.

“This investment and the ongoing commitment to implement the program as promised by our partners speaks to belief in our students and how they will shape the future of the city for generations to come,” said Dr. Nikolai Vitti, Superintendent, DPSCD.

Over 200 hundred 9th graders have enrolled; including, Alexis Barclay who likes the program’s hands-on, technical approach and enjoys learning how to work in teams. “It’s been kind of amazing actually,” said Barclay. Meanwhile, Jasmin Burks said that she would recommend the program to her classmates, “Because a lot of my friends [...] want to be a part of businesses like this.”

The Stellantis partnership with Detroit At Work has created opportunities for thousands of Detroiters. “Detroit is now seeing significant investment in modern, advanced manufacturing facilities,” said Detroit Mayor Mike Duggan. “Detroit at Work is already recruiting and preparing Detroit adults for these opportunities, and this major new facility will prepare the city’s youth for high-demand manufacturing careers right out of high school.”

For more information about Southeastern High School and the Advanced Manufacturing Academy, visit <https://www.detroitk12.org/examschools>.



# STELLANTIS HOSTS 'TALKS' ABOUT CAREERS

A 2018 study from The Manufacturing Institute and Deloitte forecast that 2.5 million manufacturing jobs will go unfilled in the coming decade due to a lack of trained workers.

In an effort to help close this workforce gap, Stellantis is hosting Career Talks to encourage Southeastern High School students to consider careers in manufacturing. A virtual program that will run every Wednesday through the end of June, it features guest speakers from various roles and departments at Stellantis.

“Our goal is to showcase the wide variety of career opportunities available at Stellantis’ manufacturing facilities,” says Caron Recker, Plant Operations Manager, Detroit Assembly Complex – Mack (DACM).

“We show students that a career in manufacturing can require a variety of different skill sets – from information technology and assembling the electronic components of the vehicle to the human resources area and dealing with managing the workforce. There are a variety of solid and interesting career choices for students.”



Recker, who has been involved in Stellantis' partnership with Southeastern High School since 2019, says the company has also hosted internships and a Manufacturing Day for Southeastern students.

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## 50 YEARS AND COUNTING FOR MACK EMPLOYEE

After working for 50 years, you might think someone would consider retiring. Not Willie A. Taylor, one of our team members at the Detroit Assembly Complex – Mack plant.

Taylor, who lives in Detroit, started with Chrysler Corporation on May 17, 1971. He found some high seniority workers who took him under their wing to teach him the ropes.

**“They told me to give them 30 days,” Taylor said. “Then if you want to quit, you can quit. I didn’t. They taught me how to work the job, not to let the job work me.”**

Since then, he’s seen and been part of all aspects of the industry, but now spends his days as a test track driver, verifying that every Jeep® Grand Cherokee L is free of buzzes, squeaks and rattles.

The camaraderie he has with his team keeps him young and laughing.

His advice to young people coming into a manufacturing job is to learn, be committed to the company and stay with the company.

“Most people don’t realize the difference in the auto industry from 1971 to 2021,” Taylor said. “If I come in here every day and learn one thing, it’s to my advantage.”

What’s next for Taylor? With any luck, 10 more years making sure we have happy customers.



## FREE TREES FOR EAST SIDE RESIDENTS

As part of our overall commitment to plant 1,100 new trees to help restore the tree canopy on Detroit’s east side, Stellantis has partnered with The Greening of Detroit to offer free street trees to residents within the immediate neighborhood.

We have started by planting the first 160 trees, prioritizing Zone 1 (see map), and working together with residents and community organizations to identify street tree sites.

The trees will include native species such as hackberry, redbud, sweetgum and zelkova. These species support local wildlife and pollinators, provide natural air filtration, reduce storm water runoff and energy usage, and improve community well-being.

Neighbors of the Detroit Assembly Complex - Mack who are interested in receiving a free street tree can register here:

<https://www.greeningofdetroit.com/eastside-trees>.

