



# Work Force Development Center

A Resource Center for our Future

SPRING 2018 NEWSLETTER



## STUDENT'S CORNER

First of all, I want to thank Mrs. Bowers for recommending me to Work Force, and I want to thank Work Force for hiring me because I have no clue where I would be right now. Before I got the job at Work Force, I had been looking for work but no one would hire me. I wanted to work to get a job to help my mom out and my family going through tough times. When I got the job, I knew that it would be a long time before I got my first paycheck, but when I did, I was able to buy the food for dinner, which was my goal - to help out at home. Work Force helped me with that. I don't see Work Force as a job anymore. I see Work Force as a big family helping anyone in need and I recommend it to anyone.

~Brandon B. is a student at Scriber Lake HS and is our January 2018 Trainee of the Month (see below).

## WHAT'S NEW AT WFDC

A Message from WFDC CEO Dave Trader

### JANUARY

1/3/2018 A big THANK YOU! to the City of Mukilteo for once again, providing tools to WFDC trainees via the Community Support Grant. This grant puts tools into student hands to maximize their skill acquisition during their apprenticeship which results in enhanced employment opportunities after graduation from high school.

1/19/18 - WFDC Trainees Justin H. and Michelle T. of ACES HS presented information about WFDC to their classmates at ACES monthly Career Fair.



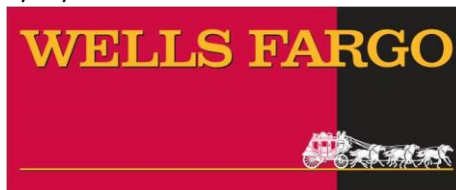
1/26/2018 – Another group of WFDC trainees along with a new WFDC employee got to tour Boeing Everett – learning where the parts they build go next, and the opportunities available after student apprenticeships are completed.

### FEBRUARY

2/12/2018 – 29 new trainees from 15 Snohomish County High Schools joined WFDC's student roster! We are thrilled to welcome our first trainee from Sequoia HS here in Everett! (see pictures on p. 3 below)

2/20/2018 a BIG thank you to the City of Everett for their unwavering support of their young residents in apprenticeships at WFDC! Once again, via the Human Needs Grant, are supporting the vocational training being received by high school students in our city!

2/22/2018



Our gratitude goes out to another consistent supporter of WFDC's Apprenticeship Program – Wells Fargo. As a result of Wells Fargo Corporate Giving Program, WFDC has once again earned a generous grant to facilitate the success of our Aerospace Assembly Mechanic Apprentices on their transition from HS to a career in manufacturing.



FOUNDATION **41** Days Til Give Big Seattle!

What is GIVEBIG? Wednesday May 9, 2018 - GiveBIG Seattle is a one-day online giving event to raise funds for nonprofit organizations in your community, like Work Force Development Center. It is a great way to double the impact of your generosity as many corporate sponsors are providing matching funds! Please consider participating to help WFDC to serve at risk youth in your community.

<https://www.givebigseattle.org/work-force-development-center>



**January 2018  
TRAINEE OF THE MONTH**

**WFDC extends enthusiastic CONGRATULATIONS! to Brandon B. of Scriber Lake HS!**

Brandon B. was selected as the WFDC Student Trainee of the Month for January 2018 based on work ethic and employee feedback. Employees praise Brandon’s work ethic and team work stating, “Brandon does a great job. He listens very well and asks questions when he is stuck.” “Brandon has an amazing work ethic. He always assists his fellow trainees when needed. He is a quick learner with focus. I wish his next rotation was here in our department again.” “Brandon is quick to learn techniques and tools after one explanation. He understands drawings and where they are within the reality of the parts. He works well independently and stays on task throughout his shift.”

**CONGRATULATIONS Brandon!**



**February 2018  
TRAINEE OF THE MONTH**

**WFDC extends enthusiastic CONGRATULATIONS! to Jared C. of Stanwood HS!**

Jared C. was selected as the WFDC Student Trainee of the Month for February 2018 based on work ethic and employee feedback. Employees praise Jared’s work ethic and team work stating, “Jared is a pleasure to work with. He does a good job and works independently, without ever a complaint.” “Jared works well and did all tasks asked of him. He asks good questions and is willing to learn.” “Jared is a team player and has a great, can-do attitude. He does whatever is asked of him with a smile, is eager to learn and easy to get along with. Jared was a pleasure to work with. He is reliable and can get jobs done when needed. It would be an honor to have him as a student again in our area.”

**CONGRATULATIONS Jared!**



**2018 – 1st Quarter  
Employee of the Quarter**

**WFDC extends enthusiastic CONGRATULATIONS! to Nick R.!**

**Student trainees elected Nick R. as Employee of the Quarter saying,** ““Nick is a nice person to work with. He helped me with everything I needed. There has not been one thing that I would not ask or say that would be wrong to say.” “Nick is very very awesome to work with. He teaches very well and I’ve learned a lot from him.” “I feel that Nick taught me well when I was working in Wire Cut and Code. He was nice to me and if I did a mistake, he was patient with me.” “Nick is funny and cares a lot about safety. I liked working with Nick.” “Nick is a really nice guy to work with. Whenever I needed help with something, he would stop and tell me what to do.” “Nick was very understanding and was patient with me even when I was at my slowest. He always checked my work just in case I got lost or confused.” “When I was in Cut and Code, Nick made it easy to work with his funny mind. Nick inspired me to never give up.”

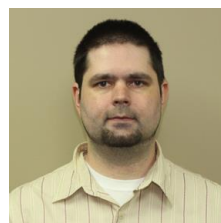
**CONGRATULATIONS Nick!**

**WFDC SAFETY ZONE**

**Please join us in congratulating WFDC Employee Matthew L. who won the “Safe at WFDC” award for March 2018.**

**Matthew placed a safety suggestion in the suggestion box, which was implemented, with his help, by the Safety Committee. As a result, he won a gift card and was recognized at our Monthly Staff Safety Training.**

**We appreciate all suggestions, demonstrating commitment to safety and care for our trainees and colleagues.**

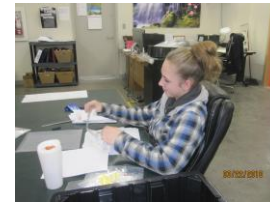


**BE CAREFUL**

**The best safety device  
is a careful worker  
Get the safety  
habit**

# WELCOME NEW FEBRUARY 2018 AEROSPACE ASSEMBLY MECHANIC APPRENTICES!

## AM Cohort from:



Lynnwood HS – Emily K. & Chloe T.  
Arlington HS – Oscar H.

Meadowdale HS – Caleb L.

Shorewood HS – Dre A.  
Stanwood HS – Gabriel O., Danya J. & Shaun R.

## PM Cohort from:



Mariner HS – Sergio G.

Mountlake Terrace HS – Jasiah V.

Everett HS – Hannah A.

VOICE – Andrew H.

Granite Falls HS – Alyssa K & Jake T.



# WFDC Graduation Save the Date! FRIDAY MAY 25, 2018

Keynote Speaker: WA State Lieutenant Governor  
Cyrus Habib



**WFDC appreciates collaborating with the following schools and districts to support our 2017-2018 shared students' growth and job skill acquisition:**



... Learning for Life



**Mukilteo** School District



**SNOHOMISH COUNTY**

**ARLINGTON**

Arlington HS – 7 trainees

**EDMONDS**

Meadowdale HS – 5 trainees  
 Mountlake Terrace HS – 8 trainees  
 Edmonds-Woodway HS – 4 trainees  
 Lynnwood HS – 9 trainees  
 Scriber Lake HS – 2 trainees

**MUKILTEO**

Mariner HS – 8 trainees  
 Kamiak HS – 6 trainees  
 ACES – 1 trainee

**SNOHOMISH**

Snohomish HS – 1 trainee

**MONROE**

Monroe HS – 3 trainees

**KING COUNTY**

**SHORELINE**

Shorewood HS – 8 trainees

**STANWOOD**

Stanwood HS – 9 trainees  
 Lincoln Hill HS – 7 trainees

**MARYSVILLE**

Getchell HS – 2 trainees

**SULTAN**

Sultan HS – 3 trainees

**EVERETT**

Everett HS – 8 trainees  
 Graduation Alliance – 1 trainee

**GRANITE FALLS**

Granite Falls HS – 5 trainees  
 Crossroads HS – 2 trainees

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