



what's your passion?



There is a lot of discussion about your path. It comes from your parents, your teachers, or your guidance counselor. They ask you questions and they point you in many different directions. Behind all that noise, it comes down to you. Your passion, your education, and your career is about what **you** want to do.

To make that decision, you need all the facts. You need to know about careers that work with advanced technology, provide competitive salaries, and don't require a mountain of student debt. Want to learn about an incredible opportunity?

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manufacturing. make it your future.





- Your Job is Waiting**
- > You owe it to yourself to learn more about the opportunities that manufacturing has to offer. Here's what you do:
 - > Visit www.ctdidi.com and learn about manufacturing careers and events.
 - > Check out www.usmanufacturingpipeline.com to take the career assessment and find the right path for you.
 - > Speak to your guidance counselor and ask to learn more about manufacturing careers.
 - > Check out SkillsUSA (skillsusa.org) and FIRST Robotics (firstc.org) for science and technology competitions in your area.
 - > Contact Connecticut Dream It. Do It. for information about manufacturing certifications.



The highest salary and benefits of any industry in America belong to manufacturers.

What's It All About

Manufacturing has always been the backbone of America. Over the past century the industry has grown. And trust us, your grandparents, and maybe even your parents, would not recognize today's manufacturing. Today's manufacturing is about advanced technologies, state of the art facilities, and fast paced work environments. But most of all, manufacturing is about those people who like to see the product of a hard day's work.

Made In America

Airplanes, medicines, MP3 players, snowboards, guitars, and candy. All are very different items with a common trait. They are produced by an American manufacturer. You can develop medicine that saves someone's life, or construct a massive airliner to fly home to your family, or create the instruments played at a concert by some of the world's greatest artists. Not many people can say that of their job.

Facts and Figures

Manufacturing is about skills. It doesn't require a four year degree and a mountain of debt to begin a manufacturing career. It requires hard work, dedication, and an industry certification to get the job done. And most of those certifications can be earned in two years or less. After that you could have a career as a machinist, or metalworker and be making more than your friends. An average of 18% more than your friends. Manufacturers have the highest combined salaries and benefits of any industry in the United States.

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