

MANUFACTURING READINESS PRE-APPRENTICESHIP (MRPA) PROGRAM*

MRPA is a free, four-week, Monday-Friday, 8:30-4:00, “boot camp” style program that combines manufacturing instruction, durable and job readiness skills including financial and digital literacy with practical, hands-on experiences and activities. Students can earn performance-based stipends up to \$1,000. The program will launch for its first cohort in February 2026, and will be held at BC3@Lawrence campus in Shenango Commons with field trips to LMMC manufacturers’ facilities.

LMMC members will have priority for interviewing program graduates. Because a critical goal of the MRPA is to improve the pipeline of manufacturing applicants to local employers, ultimate time-to-hire will be reduced by requiring applicants to undergo drug and background testing.

MRPA will be funded through various LMMC-coordinated grants.

Manufacturing Instruction – BC3 Instructors

- Forklift and Crane Rigging
- OSHA 10
- Lockout/Tagout
- Manufacturing Math
- Measurement Tools
- Quality Control

Career Readiness –Goodwill Industries/CareerLink Instructors

- Digital Literacy
- Financial Literacy
- Employability Skills
- Employer Visits
- Mock Interviews
- Field Trips
- Plant Tours

*MRPA application for accreditation is pending with PA Apprenticeship Training Office. Certificates will be awarded to participants after successful completion of MRPA and approval by ATO.