











On Thursday Nov. 8, 2018, Oakland Unified School District, Laney College, the City of Oakland, and the Association of Manufacturers Bay Area (AMBayArea) held the 3rd Annual Oakland MFG and Skilled Trades Day. Oakland MFG Dayst event is designed to highlight the importance of manufacturing in our society and lift up the importance of career technical education (CTE) programs, where young people can develop skills to enter these fulfilling, lucrative careers.









Student participation in this year's MFG Day increased by over 40%, as we had over 190 students from Oakland and Alameda schools, compared to 135 who participated last year. Groups of students from Castlemont, Dewey, Fremont, Oakland High, Oakland Tech, Rudsdale, Skyline, and Lighthouse Charter high schools each toured two Oakland manufacturing businesses. Rainin and FATHOM joined our six returning sites OCHO Candy, Nor-Cal Metal Fabricators, KSI Keyboards, Everett Graphics, Creative Woods and AB&I Foundry, all of which graciously opened their doors to our Oakland Scholars.









At Laney College, all of the students enjoyed lunches prepared by fellow OUSD students from Ralph Bunche Academy Culinary Arts Program. Emiliano Sanchez from OUSD, Mark Martin from Laney/Peralta CCD and Jose Corona from the Mayor's Office welcomed the students and invited them to visit the Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs, and encouraged them to consider taking a CTE course this summer at Laney.









Students toured and learned about Laney's Career Technical Education programs from woodworking, carpentry, and construction, to metal work, including welding and machining. Others learned about the Environmental Control Technology, Electrical and Electronics Technology, as well as Laney's Biomanufacturing programs.

















The Linked Learning Office of OUSD, City of Oakland and Laney College share their appreciation to our industry partners for again opening their doors and making this experience possible for all of our students. Our most heartfelt appreciation goes out to AB&I Foundry, which went the extra mile by underwriting the transportation for the schools that visited their site! Building on this community partnership, we are committed to graduate our students College, Career & Community Ready. Opportunities such as Oakland Manufacturing Day provide our students with true Linked Learning Experiences that bring community partners closer together.



