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**Businesses invited to meet potential future employees and customers
at Wahkiakum Career Day on March 29**

Kelso, Wash. (March 1, 2017) — Employers from all industries, including health care, manufacturing, technology, construction, finance, hospitality, retail, apprenticeship and transportation are invited to host a table for free at Wahkiakum Career Day on March 29.

The event is from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. in Wahkiakum High School's gymnasium, 500 South 3rd Street, Cathlamet, WA 98612.

Table space is limited and reservations are due by March 22. To reserve a table, go to <https://www.eventbrite.com> and search for "Wahkiakum Career Day." For additional assistance, contact Alyssa Joyner at Workforce Southwest Washington at ajoyner@workforcesw.org or 360.921.2966.

Event sponsors are Workforce Southwest Washington, Wahkiakum School District, Wahkiakum Chamber of Commerce, WorkSource and the Marine Resource Committee.

"Bringing businesses from the surrounding area into our school gives them exposure to our community and to potential new employees and customers," said Carrie Backman, Director of the Washington State University Wahkiakum County Extension.

The goal of the event is to inform students in 9th through 12th grades about companies and industries to help them make decisions about their future education and work.

"The event is an opportunity for our students to learn about a variety of career pathways and options," said Stephanie Leitz, Principal in the Wahkiakum School District. "It also shows them the types of jobs and companies in our area."

Prior to the session with employers, Partners in Careers (PIC) will lead students through activities and workshops on interviewing, how to dress and career resources. WorkSource will conduct mock interviews and resume checks and the school will provide tools to help students engage in conversations with the employers.

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