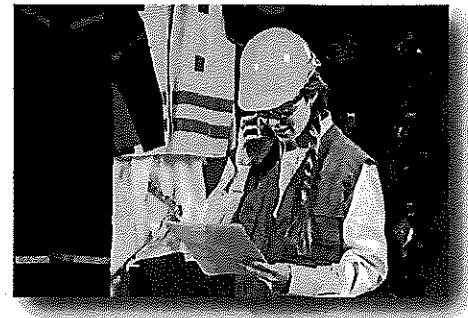


Scholarship Funding Available !!

For students interested in a dynamic career with benefits and opportunities for growth!

Did you know? With nearly 350 manufacturing facilities across the region employing nearly 18,000 people, manufacturing is alive in southwest Virginia and the Southwest Virginia Alliance for Manufacturing (SVAM) wants to help you get started on an exciting career path!



Did you know that many cool products are made right here in our region - products used around the world? Southwest Virginia manufacturers make fans, conveyors, cranes, pillows and mattresses, metal and composite parts for airplanes and ships, plastic and metal food containers, refrigerated and dry freight trailers, compressors for heat pumps, air conditioners and freezers, plastic fibers for home, auto, aviation and marine uses and much more!



Think manufacturers only look for technical people? Think again! Manufacturers need professionals in areas like finance, accounting, marketing, human resources and more.

Not planning to attend a four-year college? No problem. A SVAM scholarship can also be used to help you learn a trade in a certificate program!

Interested? See your guidance counselor for an application and for more information or find it at www.swvam.org/svam-scholarship. Let SVAM help you get on your way to a rewarding career in manufacturing!

The deadline for applications is **April 2nd, 2018**.



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The Southwest Virginia Alliance for Manufacturing, Inc.
Manufacturing Related Scholarship
Due April 2nd, 2018

Scholarship Guidelines

The Southwest Virginia Alliance for Manufacturing, Inc. and the SVAM Scholarship Committee will select and offer scholarships to eligible graduating high school students who wish to pursue post-secondary education in a manufacturing related field. Students will be eligible for up to \$1,000 in scholarship funds. Scholarships will be awarded based on the standards and requirements adopted by the Southwest Virginia Alliance for Manufacturing Board of Directors and the SVAM Scholarship Committee. The scholarship will be for one year and can be used for tuition, books, and school fees.

Student Requirements

- *Student must be a graduating senior from a school in the following jurisdictions in Virginia: Smyth County, Washington County, Russell County, Tazewell County, Wythe County, Grayson County, Scott County, Carroll County, Buchanan County, or the City of Bristol.
- Student must submit a completed application form.
- If invited by the Scholarship Committee, the student must complete an in-person interview.
- Student must be seeking education in a manufacturing-related field with a desire to pursue a career in manufacturing, preferably in southwest Virginia.

When applying for a scholarship, SVAM will take into the account the following factors:

- 1) Letters of Recommendation (from teachers or other school professionals)
- 2) Grade Point Average
- 3) Financial Need
- 4) Career Path - as it Relates to Manufacturing
- 5) Applicant's Desire to stay in the Region
- 6) Interview
- 7) Employment (if applicable)
- 8) Technical Training Experience (if applicable)

Major Field of Study

Students applying for a scholarship should work toward a degree and/or certificate in a field of study that relates to manufacturing, which includes hands-on programs such as welding and machining, technical programs such as Computer Aided Drafting/Design, Robotics, and Manufacturing/Industrial Engineering, and business programs such as administration, finance, marketing, human resources or accounting

Scholarship Committee

The Scholarship Committee will consist of representatives from SVAM Member companies.

**Counties listed are those in which SVAM member companies reside.*