

## **FAQs: Shelby County Industry Expo**

8:30 a.m. – 3 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 26, 2025

Area Technology Center, 230 Rocket Lane, Shelbyville, KY 40065

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### **1. What's this event all about?**

It's all about showing students in Shelby County how cool manufacturing and industrial jobs are! This isn't a job fair – it's a chance to inspire and educate.

### **2. Wait, it's not a job fair?**

Nope! Think LONG RANGE recruiting, a behind-the-scenes tour of local industries to start students down the correct educational path. It's a "look at what we do in your own backyard" event, not a "who wants a job" event.

### **3. Who's coming to this event?**

Approximately 500 - 1,000 Shelby County high schoolers will visit the Expo throughout the day! These students are exploring their different [Pathways](#) and understanding how each relates to careers "in the real world."

### **4. What should we bring?**

Fun, hands-on displays, eye-catching demos, and any cool tools or tech you want to show off! Try to make it engaging and easy to understand for students.

### **5. Can we hand out materials?**

Absolutely! Feel free to bring flyers or info sheets about your business and giveaways for the students to keep! Psst, we have a couple students with serious allergies this year, so leave any treats with tree nuts or peanuts behind, please.

### **6. Why should we participate?**

You'll connect with the next generation, show off your industry's *awesomeness*, and hopefully inspire a future workforce right here in Shelby County! Not to be a Debbie Downer, but there are experts forecasting a [Rising Storm of Looming Labor Shortage](#) but with your participation, we're not going to let that happen!

### **7. How long is the event?**

You have your choice! You may set up your booth for the morning, afternoon, or all day! *All day is encouraged for maximum exposure.* Students will be off campus for the lunch session, 11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., so doors will be open to the public and older, active job seekers will be encouraged to attend at this time.

8:30 - 11 a.m.

11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. (Public Session)

12:30 - 3 p.m.

### **8. What do students get out of it?**

They'll learn what makes manufacturing and industrial jobs exciting and see the real-world applications of what they're learning in school. Furthermore, students can determine what educational pathway, certifications or degrees they should pursue for these types of jobs.

### **9. Is there a fee?**

There is NO fee to attend!

### **10. How do we sign up?**

Easy! Just fill out the form here: <https://scidf.com/industry-expo-registration/>

### **Questions?**

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