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CAREERSOURCE CENTRAL FLORIDA HOSTS TWO MANUFACTURING CAREER FAIRS IN EARLY OCTOBER

Orlando, FL – As part of a coordinated, month-long effort between Florida's state colleges, manufacturers, and regional workforce boards, CareerSource Central Florida will be hosting two manufacturing career fairs in the region this month.

The first will take place **Thursday, October 1 in Orange County** at the Valencia College School of Public Safety, located at 8600 Valencia College Lane, Orlando, FL 32825, from 1-4 p.m. The second event takes place one week later, on **Thursday, October 8 in Lake County** at the Lake Square Mall, located at 10401 US-441, Leesburg, FL 34788, also from 1-4 p.m.

The first hour of each event (1-2 p.m.) will be reserved for Florida Trade students/grads, veterans, and pre-screened applicants, with the remaining two hours (2-4 p.m.) open to all other interested applicants.

Both events will feature local manufacturers who are hiring.

The Career Fair brings together the <u>Manufacturers Association of Florida</u>; The Florida Department of Economic Opportunity; <u>the Florida TRADE Consortium</u>, a coalition of 13 state and community colleges; and members of the <u>CareerSource Florida network</u> at the state and local levels to connect manufacturers who have job openings with qualified candidates.

The Florida Manufacturing Career Fair is a component of the "Drive to 1000", a Florida TRADE Consortium initiative to place 1000 Florida TRADE students into manufacturing jobs by April 1, 2016. The Career Fair is open to all and may provide opportunities to anyone interested in a hands-on, high-tech career.

For more information or to register for the career fairs in Central Florida, please visit www.careersourcecentralflorida.com/careerfair/. For information about the Florida TRADE Consortium, visit www.fltrade.org.

CareerSource Central Florida provides tools to businesses and career seekers in Lake, Orange, Osceola, Seminole and Sumter counties to advance their professional standing. On average, we assist 1,300 businesses each month with job posting and recruitment, retention and training. We also provide nearly 8,800 job seekers each month with services including career counseling, recruitment events, training, financial aid, and internships. For more information, visit www.CareerSourceCentralFlorida.com.