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CONSTRUCTION CAREER EVENTS DRAW HUNDREDS TO SPOKANE FAIRGRUONDS MARCH 29-30

50+ Local Construction Employers Donate Time and Equipment to Teach Students About Construction and Connect with Inland Northwest Workforce

SPOKANE, Wash. - More than 50 local construction employers will gather at the Spokane Fairgrounds this week for two major construction career events, teaching students about the skilled trades and connecting with community members in a regional construction hiring event.

On Wednesday and Thursday, March 29-30 from 8:45 AM - 3 PM, the Inland Northwest Associated General Contractors and its partners will host Construction Career Days, bringing more than 800 local high school students to the Spokane County Fair and Expo Center for hands-on construction experience where they will drive heavy equipment, use power tools and learning about the skilled trades.

Media members are welcome to attend, try out equipment, and get behind the wheel of heavy construction vehicles includes cranes and excavators.

On Wednesday, March 29, from 4 - 7 PM the local construction industry presents the Trade Up 2 Construction Hiring Fair, a massive construction job fair for the Inland Northwest. Construction employers present will be hiring onsite, meeting potential employees, scheduling interviews, and answering questions about what it's like to work in the construction industry.

"This is an unmatched opportunity for job seekers setting their sights on the construction industry," said Cheryl Stewart, Inland Northwest AGC Executive Director. "We also encourage students who attend during the day to come back in the evening with their parents to learn more and ask questions."

WHAT/WHEN:

Construction Career Days

March 29-30, 8:45 AM - 3PM

Construction Career Days is an industry-sponsored event for high school students to introduce them to the various career opportunities available in the construction industry. Students will have the opportunity to try hands-on projects, operate heavy equipment and machinery, and meet with industry representatives from the trades and higher education. Media members are welcome to attend, drive heavy equipment, and try out hands-on construction activities. Please email Shannen Talbot at stalbot@nwagc.org to attend.

Trade Up 2 Construction Hiring Fair

March 29, 4 PM - 7 PM

The TradeUp2Construction Hiring Fair is Spokane's #1 construction job fair. It's an opportunity for job seekers to hand out resumes, network with company and industry leaders, and trade up their career. It's also a chance for employers to make contact with potential workers, interview, and hire for the upcoming construction season. This community event is open to the public and free to attend – all are welcome! Find more information at https://tradeup2construction.com/hiringfair/.

- WHERE: Spokane County Fair and Expo Center404 N Havana St # 1, Spokane Valley, WA 99212
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