



Students to gain hands-on manufacturing insight

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HARTFORD — More than 3,300 middle and high school students from throughout Connecticut this week will visit the Connecticut Expo Center, which will be transformed into a simulated manufacturing company, as part of "Manufacture Your Future: Careers Expo II."

Various Greater New Haven middle and high schools are slated to participate in the event.

The three-day event on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, is intended to boost students' awareness about career opportunities in manufacturing. The expo is organized by the Connecticut Business & Industry

Association, the Connecticut Community Colleges' College of Technology's Regional Center for Next Generation Manufacturing and dozens of Connecticut manufacturing companies.

Students will observe manufacturing demonstrations and view a variety of exhibits featuring products made in Connecticut. They also will participate in a virtual manufacturing process that will illustrate the connection between what they learn in school and the job skills they may need in the future, according to organizers.

Pratt & Whitney of East Hartford and Granby, Electric Boat Corp. of Groton and Electro Energy Inc. of Danbury are among the companies scheduled to participate in the event.