

# Teachers Tour Guide

## TOUR PREPARATION CHECKLIST

Thank you for your willingness to take your students on a tour during the Minnesota Manufactured™ Statewide Tour of Manufacturing. We think you'll agree—the tour is a terrific way for your students to learn about modern manufacturing in Minnesota.

Learn more at [mnmfg.org/statewidetour](https://mnmfg.org/statewidetour).

### HERE ARE A FEW TIPS THAT WILL MAXIMIZE LEARNING OUTCOMES FOR YOUR STUDENTS:

- Use award-winning Minnesota Manufactured™ resources to prepare your students. These free resources can be used before or after the tour to enhance outcomes. **All are available at [mnmfg.org](https://mnmfg.org).**
  - Teacher Guide: a customizable 80-page curriculum resource recommended for students grades 6-12 that can be downloaded from [mnmfg.org/educators/teacher-guide](https://mnmfg.org/educators/teacher-guide). You might want to use one or more lessons before the tour and use the rest after.
- Manufacturing Career Tool: a short, career assessment tool that matches aptitudes to various manufacturing careers. [mnmfg.org/futureinmanufacturing](https://mnmfg.org/futureinmanufacturing).
- Have students research the company's website.
- Based on their research and use of the Minnesota Manufactured™ resources, have students prepare 2-3 questions to ask during the tour.
- Instruct your students to wear closed-toe shoes. (You may want to check with the manufacturer to see if there are any additional recommendations.)
- Let your students know that manufacturers expect them to act professionally.
- Tell students where they can find additional information about manufacturing jobs (see sidebar).
- Follow your school's timeline and required protocols for arranging field trips.
- Follow-up after the tour with a thank you to the manufacturer.

## MANUFACTURING CAREERS INFORMATION

Use the Manufacturing Career Tool  
[mnmfg.org/futureinmanufacturing](https://mnmfg.org/futureinmanufacturing)

Watch manufacturing career videos at:  
[mnmfg.org/statewidetour](https://mnmfg.org/statewidetour)

Check out DEED's Career & Education Explorer data tool at: [bit.ly/DEED-Career-Info](https://bit.ly/DEED-Career-Info)



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*Since 2011, the Statewide Tour has reached*

### 2011-2022 TOUR RESULTS



**32,416**  
K-12 Students  
Attended A Tour



**270**  
Schools  
Participated



**1,191**  
Educators  
Attended A Tour



**1,339**  
Employers  
Participated



**2,056**  
Manufacturing  
Tours



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