

# PASSION + CAREER SKILLS = SUCCESS!



## Pierce County Skills Center Aerospace Student a Speedy Success!

In 2012, Jacob Botsford began his Senior year at Kapowsin High School and enrolled in the first Aerospace Composites class at the Pierce County Skills Center. One year later - at graduation - he was working for the world's largest carbon fiber manufacturer. **Eight months out of high school, he bought a house...**

PCSC's Manufacturing coursework leads to competence certification with skill level assessment that potential employers find useful in hiring. The program covers both general manufacturing (workplace safety, lean manufacturing, root cause analysis and 6S facilities organization), and specific skills (lamination, kitting, drilling, grinding, riveting, precision measurement and more).

Jacob's professional career began at Toray Composites of America as a Production Assistant after graduation. His training was fast-tracked because he already had many of the required technical skills. Jacob's supervisor, Quinton Johnson, says "the folks from PCSC are way above the common applicant," pointing to both their industry knowledge and an understanding of what's expected in a real-world job.

Jacob is currently a Production Technician and Area Lead at Toray - in less than two years from his high school graduation and PCSC training!

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