

2026 HOMEGROWN SUCCESS CAREER FAIR

GROWING OUR FUTURE TOGETHER

April 8, 2026

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SIMEK RECREATION CENTER

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ABBYBANK

AbbyBank is an independent, locally owned community bank serving our customers and shareholders with eight full-service locations in Abbotsford, Appleton, Gresham, Medford, Shawano, Wausau, Weston, Withee, a Commercial Loan Production Office in Green Bay, and online at <https://www.abbybank.com/>.

Offering full financial services for personal, business, and agricultural business opportunities. We are committed to our communities and helping people financially succeed. Services are Checking, Savings, IRAs, Health Savings Accounts, Loans, Lines of Credit, Mortgages, and so much more. We Make Banking About You! FDIC insured and Equal Housing Lender.

Business/Management/Admin, Finance, Human Services, Information Technology, Marketing

ADM

The Archer-Daniels-Midland Company, commonly known as ADM, is an American multinational food processing and commodities trading corporation founded in 1902 and headquartered in Chicago, Illinois.

Manufacturing

ASPIRUS HEALTH

Aspirus Health is a nonprofit, community-directed health system based in Wausau, Wis. With more than 14,000 team members, Aspirus serves northeastern Minnesota, northern and central Wisconsin and the Upper Peninsula of Michigan. The system includes 18 hospitals and 130 outpatient locations, home health and hospice care, pharmacies, critical care and helicopter transport, medical goods, nursing homes, high-quality affiliated physicians and a health insurance company.

Aspirus Vision -Aspirus is a catalyst for creating healthy, thriving communities, trusted and engaged above all others.

Aspirus Mission -We heal people, promote health and strengthen communities.

Aspirus Core Values - Compassion, Accountability, Collaboration, Foresight and Joy

Business/Management/Admin, Finance, Health, Marketing

BAUER LAW OFFICE, LLC

Bauer Law Office is a solo practice criminal defense and family law firm in Medford, WI.

Law/Public Service/Security

BEAUTY BY JOAN

Full service hair and nail salon

Business/Management/Admin, Hospitality, Human Services

BLACK RIVER DENTAL

Black River Dental Clinic is a newly established clinic in Medford in 2025. Owned and Operated by Dr. Ben Gelhaus who has practiced Dentistry in the Medford Community for 13 years. The presence of his family has been in this community for 3 decades, starting in 1953, when his grandfather started a Dental Clinic on Main Street. The traditions and community care practices have been passed down and are the forefront of his treatment goals. Dentistry allows the opportunity to run your own business, help people, and give back to the community. It's a great career opportunity that allows you to go anywhere in the world. It has opened the door for Dr. Ben to join the Army National Guard and deploy to the Middle East, along with completing mission work in the Caribbean. The clinic supports patients from any age range and almost any treatment they are seeking. Dentistry is a wonderful career choice and provides many different job opportunities outside of just being a Dentist.

Business/Management/Admin, Health

BOREALIS WELLNESS CLINIC

Borealis Wellness Clinic is dedicated to providing natural, patient-focused healthcare to the residents of Taylor County through Chiropractic care, Nutrition & Functional Medicine, Physiotherapy techniques and Massage therapy.

Health

CAVCO DORCHESTER

Cavco Dorchester is an innovative manufactured and modular home builder providing buyers with an affordable way to own high-quality, exceptional homes built by Wisconsin craftsmen. Employees enjoy on-the-job training in real world trades that translate to life outside the workplace. Team members can electrical, plumbing, drywall, siding and essentially all the skills needed to build homes.

Our plant is day shift only with no nights or weekends & offer great compensation with full benefits. Ask about opportunities to join our team in Dorchester Wisconsin.

Architecture/Construction, Manufacturing

CLARK COUNTY REHABILITATION AND LIVING CENTER

Clark County Rehabilitation and Living Center has provided care for elderly, mentally ill, and developmentally disabled since 1922. Clark County Rehabilitation & Living Center is comprised of:

80-Bed Long-Term Care Skilled Nursing Facility

4, 10-Bed Secure Memory Care Units

30-Bed Psychiatric Care Unit

32-Bed In-Patient Rehabilitation Unit

(Physical, Occupational, and Speech Therapies)

16-Bed Facility for the Intellectually Disabled (ICF-ID)

8-Bed Community Based Residential Facility (CBRF) Licensed Ambulatory Class C (CA) for individuals with chronic mental illnesses or developmental disabilities with behavioral concerns

Provider of Adult Day Services and Community Outreach services for individuals with developmental disabilities, physical disabilities, and mental health needs.

WIC Program Provider

Government, Health

COMPLETE CONTROL INC.

HVAC, Service, Sheetmetal, Pipefitting, Controls (Building Automation)

Architecture/Construction

CREATIVE AUTOMATION INC

At Creative Automation, we are world-class engineers and manufacturers of custom material handling and processing equipment for the woodworking and related industries. For over 50 years our company has been providing automated solutions to top manufacturers in the United States and Canada. Our customers include the manufacturers of furniture, doors, windows, kitchen cabinets, wood flooring and countertops. We take a project from beginning to end, including the design, engineering, manufacturing, assembly, wiring, programming, testing and installation at our customers facility. We employ engineers, machinists, welders, assemblers and office personnel.

Business/Management/Admin, Information Technology, Manufacturing, Science/Technology/Engineering

DELUXE PLASTICS

Home of High-Volume Plastic Injection Molding

At Deluxe, we're committed to providing exceptional injection molding and engineering services that go beyond the competition in value and customer experience. Our turnkey approach ensures your needs are met every step of the way, from initial design support to essential secondary services like assembly and inventory management. We're proud to provide three advanced facilities in Wisconsin and one overseas to serve your needs. Our local Medford location has more than 100,000 square feet of production space and offers strategic advantages for high-volume plastic injection molding needs.

Explore what makes our Medford location stand out and how you can leverage its advantages to push your project across the finish line and contact our team today to get started.

Business/Management/Admin, Manufacturing, Science/Technology/Engineering

DIXON GREINER REALTY, LLC

Dixon Greiner Realty, LLC is a locally owned and operated real estate business. Licensed real estate agents assist buyers and seller in their real estate transactions.

Finance, Information Technology, Marketing

ENERQUIP THERMAL SOLUTIONS

Based in Medford, Wisconsin, Enerquip designs and builds sanitary and industrial heating and cooling equipment used in industries like food processing, pharmaceuticals, chemicals, renewable energy, and more.

We're always looking for the next generation of skilled talent, which is why we offer mentorship opportunities for high school students and paid apprenticeships for college and technical students. You'll gain real-world, hands-on experience in careers like welding, machining, engineering, and skilled manufacturing.

Enerquip also proudly supports local students by awarding three annual scholarships to graduates from Medford, Gilman, and Rib Lake pursuing technical education.

Learn more at www.enerquip.com.

Business/Management/Admin, Finance, Information Technology, Manufacturing, Marketing, Science/Technology/Engineering

HAWKINS ASH CPAs

Hawkins Ash CPAs is a top 200 accounting firm in the nation with 11 offices in Wisconsin and Minnesota. We offer local tax, audit, and accounting services and more to local clients. We are passionate about fostering the next generation of public accounting professionals. Accounting college students chosen to participate in our internship program receive the full public accounting experience as they work side-by-side with senior staff to provide critical, timely tax and audit services to clients.

Business/Management/Admin, Finance

HEALTHVIEW EYE CARE CENTER

HealthView Eye Care Centers provide patients from North-Central Wisconsin comprehensive eye care including: eye exams, emergency eye care, diagnosis & treatment of eye conditions & diseases, surgical pre & post-operative care, and we offer a full service optical. We have over 30 employees with varying titles and responsibilities including; eye doctors, patient services, billing/insurance, opticians, technicians, office management, administration, and marketing. For most positions there is no experience necessary, we provide on the job training. Working for an independent, privately owned practice, you're not just a number! HealthView offers family focused flexibility, knowing you are appreciated & valued, and working in a welcoming environment where your opinions matter. At HealthView we're always "Keeping Sight of What's Important".

Health

HOPE HOSPICE & PALLIATIVE CARE

Hope Hospice & Palliative Care is a non-profit organization and that provides comfort and supportive care services for those with a life limiting illness and their families. We serve Taylor County and the surrounding communities. Our hospice team consists of our Medical Director, Nurse Practitioner, nurses, social workers, health aides, chaplains, administrative staff, and volunteers. We provide end of life care for those living in their homes, assisted living facilities, and nursing homes.

Health, Human Services

IBEW Local 388

IBEW Local 388 proudly represents over 520 highly skilled electrical workers across 15 counties in Central and orth Central Wisconsin. As part of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, we are known for our professionalism, craftsmanship, and commitment to excellence. Our members perform vital work in residential, commercial, and industrial electrical construction, helping power homes, businesses, schools, and critical infrastructure throughout the region. Local 388 supports rigorous apprenticeship and continuing education programs that prepare the next generation of electricians while ensuring experienced members stay current with evolving technologies and safety practices. We are committed to strengthening communities, fostering economic growth, and maintaining our reputation as a trusted leader in the electrical industry and a proud partner in building Central Wisconsin's future.

Architecture/Construction

INTEK PLASTICS

Intek Plastics supplies engineered thermoplastic extrusion, fabricated sub-assemblies and value-added services to original equipment manufacturers requiring high-performance, custom plastics solutions. It is safe to say that in the 50+ years we've been in business, we've seen and done it all. Our scale and sophistication allow us to serve industrial Oem's in construction, fenestration, lighting, medical, data centers,refrigeration, agricultural, recreation, appliances, and transportation.

Our headquarters is located in Hastings MN specializing in single-screw plastic extrusion, and our Cottage Grove, MN, location focuses on rapid prototyping. In Medford, WI facility, we perform plastic extrusion which focus on twin-screw capabilities, and at our newest acquisition, 5 Star Plastics in Eau Claire WI, we specialize in injection molding.

Manufacturing

JAMES PETERSON SONS, INC

Road Construction

Architecture/Construction

KLINNER INSURANCE INC.

Klinner Insurance was organized in 1946 in Medford, Wisconsin, by Robert W. Klinner. The agency was incorporated in 1952 and grew from a one-person business into a large, multi-line agency. In 2022, when Meyer Insurance joined forces with Klinner Insurance, we brought together a combined 126 years of history. Today Klinner Insurance has 5 office locations in Northern and Central Wisconsin.

Through long-range planning, agency perpetuation, and excellent customer-oriented service, Klinner Insurance has become one of the most reputable insurance agencies in the region.

Klinner Insurance is an independent insurance agency. We represent a carefully selected group of financially sound insurance companies. These companies allow us to provide you with quality coverage for a reasonable price.

Business/Management/Admin, Human Services, Information Technology, Marketing

LOOS MACHINE & AUTOMATION

Loos Machine & Automation is a leading manufacturer of custom automated equipment for the food industry, specializing in cutting-edge, innovative solutions. We offer a comprehensive range of services, including automation, engineering, machining, fabrication, process design, and installation.

We also partner with local schools to support youth apprenticeship opportunities, helping develop the next generation of skilled trades professionals.

Manufacturing, Science/Technology/Engineering

MARATHON CHEESE

Who are we? We are a leader in cheese packaging. We set the bar high for innovation. We are a family of thousands across four locations. That's who Marathon Cheese is. Staying innovative for our customers is what keeps us moving. As technologies in packaging and distribution have changed over the years, we have innovated together to deliver on our promise of cutting-edge packaging. From shreds, slices, chunks and snacks, we have the capability to provide packaging for all kinds of natural cheeses. To be the partner our customers need, we transport materials from cheesemaker to the plant for packaging and then transport for distribution. It matters that we offer a full-circle process for our customers so they know we are truly partners in the cheese business.

Agriculture/Food/Natural Resources, Business/Management/Admin, Information Technology, Manufacturing, Transportation/Distribution/Logistics

MCDONALD'S

Fast paced work environment that gives great customer service to the guest. Fun work environment.

Agriculture/Food/Natural Resources, Business/Management/Admin, Education/Training, Hospitality

McMILLAN ELECTRIC

Full Service Electrical Contractor At McMillan Electric, we strive to build strong relations with our customers by providing them top-notch service for all of their electrical needs. Our work varies from Residential, Commercial, Industrial, and Agricultural. We aim to create a safe, inclusive work environment where you feel can truly feel at home.

Are you someone that our team and customers can rely on? Do you have great problem-solving skills? Are you respectful, professional, and patient? If this sounds like the right opportunity for you, reach out to us today to discuss opportunities!

Architecture/Construction

MEDFORD AREA FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Medford Area Fire Department is a paid for call volunteer fire department. We cover 7 towns and the city of Medford, totaling 320 square miles and a population of 10,000. The department is trained and proficient in fire suppression for structural, wildland, and vehicle, rescue services including vehicle extrication, ice rescue, and search and rescue, and response to HazMat situations.

Law/Public Service/Security

MEDFORD AREA PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT

The Medford Area Public School District is one of the largest employers in the area, offering a variety of positions across our two elementary schools, middle school, high school, and virtual school. We are looking for passionate individuals to fill roles such as teachers, nurses, custodians, social workers, technology specialists, and more. Our mission is "To ensure all students learn." Come make a difference in students' lives and grow your career with us!

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MEDFORD AREA SENIOR HIGH STUDENT SERVICES

School psychologists, social workers, and counselors are uniquely qualified members of school teams that support students' ability to learn and teachers' ability to teach. They apply expertise in mental health, learning, and behavior, to help children and youth succeed academically, socially, behaviorally, and emotionally. A school nurse, a registered nurse with a school nursing credential, plays a vital role in promoting student health and well-being, ensuring a safe and conducive learning environment by providing medical care, health education, and addressing health-related barriers to learning.

MEDFORD COOP

Founded in 1911, the Medford Cooperative has proudly served our communities for over a century. With a commitment to serving our communities in a professional and cooperative manner we have stood strong. Today, the Medford Coop is more than just a grocery store. Our organization includes many different departments such as Agriculture, Trucking, IT, Finance, HR, Marketing, and more. Stop by to learn how you can apply for a \$500 scholarship!

Agriculture/Food/Natural Resources, Business/Management/Admin, Finance, Information Technology, Marketing, Transportation/Distribution/Logistics

MEDFORD MOTORS INC.

Automotive sales & repairs (including auto body and mechanical)

Marketing, Transportation/Distribution/Logistics

MIRON CONSTRUCTION Co., INC.

Miron Construction Co., Inc. provides innovative pre-construction, construction management, design- build, industrial, and General Construction services to multiple markets throughout the nation. The family- owned company has been in business since 1918 and is one of the nation's premier construction firms and industry leaders. Approximately 1,700 employees provide professional Construction Services to clients throughout the Midwest, with an expanded geographic reach across the United States. Miron is a union contractor, and we are signatory to the trades we self-perform. These include concrete, including cement finishing, and ironwork, which encompasses steel and precast installation, heavy rigging, and certified welding.

Architecture/Construction

NORTHCENTRAL TECHNICAL COLLEGE

For over 100 years, Northcentral Technical College has been changing lives in central Wisconsin. Started in 1912 as the Wausau Industrial School, NTC has a long history of inspiring learners and supporting local businesses. Today the college has 190+ program offerings, including two-year associate degrees that combine technical skills with general education, one- and two-year technical diplomas that provide concentrated hands-on learning, and short-term certificates to improve job skills.

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NORTHCENTRAL TECHNICAL COLLEGE – WOOD TECHNOLOGY CENTER OF EXCELLENCE

The Wood Science program at Northcentral Technical College is designed to provide learners with a holistic educational experience of the entire forest products industry and build an understanding of the potential of wood products enhancing our society.

Learners will discover all the opportunities, skills and technologies involved from a tree being harvested to making and selling finished products. Subjects include primary and secondary manufacturing, advanced industrial technology, sawmill operations, business and product development and woodworking. The program is provided through combined hands-on instruction at NTC's Wood Technology Center of Excellence in Antigo, Wisconsin.

Agriculture/Food/Natural Resources, Education/Training, Manufacturing, Science/Technology/Engineering

NORTHCENTRAL TECHNICAL COLLEGE - AGRICULTURE CENTER OF EXCELLENCE

Northcentral Technical College's Agriculture Center of Excellence is the home to the only fully-functioning Dairy Farm and learning laboratory in the Wisconsin Technical College System. Through strong collaborations with partners in agriculture, government and education, we offer hands-on, industry-focused training that prepares students, local farmers, and agri-businesses for the evolving demands of the agriculture industry. At this fully operational dairy 116-acre dairy farm, students have the unique opportunity to work directly with animals, advanced technology, field crops, and to grow fresh produce and plants in a variety of horticulture environments. Beyond agriculture, we also offer comprehensive programs in utilities and transportation that provide students with invaluable real-world experience complementing their classroom learning through hands-on applications in the utilities field and Diesel Center.

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PLUMBERS & STEAMFITTERS LOCAL 434

Plumbers & Steamfitters Local 434 is part of the construction building trades. We represent journeyman & apprentices in Plumbing, Steamfitting & HVAC Service. We offer State sponsored apprenticeships and free training.

Architecture/Construction

PREVAIL BANK

Prevail Bank is a Wisconsin-based, people-first, can-do, full-service community bank with dedicated lending and financial teams serving personal and business needs. We take pride in making local lending decisions; we actually know our customers, their business, and their unique circumstances. As a trusted adviser, we provide insight and guidance that help customers achieve their goals. ----- Our mission is to help individuals, families, businesses, employees, and communities pursue what's possible by working together to make their dreams a reality. We give hundreds of thousands of dollars and volunteer time back into the communities we serve, supporting programs that matter most. Our core values: * Put people first * Take ownership * Do the right thing * Be a solutions seeker ----- If you want a career where your job actually makes a positive community impact, consider Prevail Bank.

Arts/AV/Communication, Business/Management/Admin, Finance, Human Services, Information Technology, Marketing

ROYAL CREDIT UNION

We are a credit Union with a lot to offer as an employer! We make sure to give our team members every opportunity to learn and grow both professionally and personally.

Finance

SHEET METAL WORKERS LOCAL 18

Sheet Metal Workers

Architecture/Construction, Education/Training

SIERRA PACIFIC WINDOWS

At Sierra Pacific Industries, we understand our greatest strength is the people who choose to build a career with us.

What does it mean to be part of the Sierra Pacific family? It means you are a valued team member and part of a growing, fourth-generation family-owned, forest products company built on hard work, innovation, and wise investments.

With around 6,500 crew members in over 30 states, Sierra Pacific offers many opportunities for personal and professional growth; from entry-level to skilled trades, from truck drivers to sales managers, from foresters to engineers – for everyone! We invite you to learn more about our history, our 2.4 million acres of forestlands, and our state-of-the-art wood product and window manufacturing facilities at www.spi-ind.com/AboutUs.

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SPECTRUM BENEFIT SOLUTIONS & THE HEDLUND AGENCY

The Hedlund Agency has been serving the Medford area since 1954, originally started by Elmer & Florence Hedlund and in 2000, Brian and Brenda Hedlund officially took ownership of the business. In 2018, The Hedlund Agency was bought out by Spectrum Benefits Solutions and obtained a new owner, Becky Gorst. Becky has then opened offices in Spencer, Wisconsin Rapids, Rothschild and Stevens Point. Our business is best known for health insurance needs such as Medicare, marketplace and social security benefits. We also have a large emphasis on group and employer coverages as well expanding from health insurance, vision and dental insurance and life insurance.

Health

STEPPING STONES, INC.

Stepping Stones is a nonprofit organization that provides community education and support services to victims and survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, teen dating violence, stalking, and human trafficking in Taylor County. All services are free and confidential.

Human Services

SWIDERSKI EQUIPMENT INC.

Swiderski Equipment Inc. is proud to celebrate its 100th anniversary in 2025. Founded in 1925, the company began with humble roots-training and selling workhorses on the Swiderski family homestead in Mosinee, Wisconsin. What started as a simple vision to support the local farming community has grown into a dynamic, multifaceted enterprise with five locations across Wisconsin. Today, we proudly serve both the agricultural and construction industries with a wide range of equipment, services, and solutions. As we reflect on a century of service, our commitment to understanding and meeting the needs of our customers remains stronger than ever. Our dedicated teams in parts, sales, service, and precision technology deliver expert knowledge, dependable service, and innovative solutions that help our customers operate more efficiently and profitably. Reaching this remarkable milestone would not have been possible without the loyalty of our customers and the dedication of our employees. We are deeply grateful to everyone who has played a role in our success over the past 100 years. While equipment continues to evolve and technology advances, one thing remains unchanged: our promise to deliver the best possible service. Whether you're a large-acreage operator, small farmer, contractor, landowner, or business owner-Swiderski Equipment Inc. is here to be your trusted partner on the job, now and into the future.

Agriculture/Food/Natural Resources

TAYLOR COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Taylor County Emergency Management is dedicated to safeguarding the residents, visitors, and communities of Taylor County from the impacts of disasters and emergencies. Our goal is to reduce risk and enhance the county's ability to respond effectively to any crisis, ensuring the safety and well-being of all who live here, work here, and play here. We collaborate with local, state, and federal agencies, as well as private sector partners, to prepare for, respond to, and recover from a wide range of emergency situations. Our Mission is to minimize the loss of life, injuries, and damage to property, the environment, and critical infrastructure while facilitating coordinated response and recovery actions following disaster or emergency situations in Taylor County. We use all hazards planning to develop and implement timely and effective mitigation, preparedness, response, and recovery efforts. Our commitment is to remain proactive in safeguarding lives and promoting community resilience through continuous education, training, and the implementation of effective emergency management strategies. Whether it's preparing for manmade disaster, natural disasters, public health emergencies, or other critical incidents, we work tirelessly to ensure Taylor County remains safe, secure, and ready for any emergency.

Government

TAYLOR COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

The Taylor County Health Department is located in the courthouse in the city of Medford. The health department serves the entire county and strives to keep Taylor County residents healthy and safe. We work with local partners to provide services and education to local residents on our programs. Our staff teach classes on general health and wellness, CPR, Stop the Bleed, overdose prevention, suicide prevention, car seat safety, and safe infant sleep. We provide direct care to individuals including nail care, vaccines, baby visits, vision and hearing screenings, and disease follow up. We also lead initiatives in the county for youth mental health and substance use prevention.

Government, Health, Law/Public Service/Security

TAYLOR COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT

The Taylor County Human Services Department promotes and encourages the well-being, safety, independence and self-sufficiency of all Taylor County individuals and families through the provision of supportive services. As a public agency and department within county government, the Taylor County Human Services Department operates under a Human Services Board that is appointed by the Taylor County Board of Supervisors. Administrative oversight is also provided by a number of state departments. Agency funding comes from a variety of sources including federal, state, and county revenue as well as client fees. Services provided or purchased by the Taylor County Human Services Department are coordinated through one of six units: Economic Support, Community Services, Protective Services, Children and Family Services, Financial Services and Clinical Services which encompasses mental health and AODA counseling.

Human Services

TAYLOR COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

The Sheriff is the Chief Law Enforcement Officer elected for a four-year term. He is empowered to correct any unlawful situation that may occur. The Sheriff is presumed to be on duty twenty-four hours per day and is responsible for the protection of all citizens. It is the duty of the Sheriff to take charge and custody of the jail and the persons held there, and is responsible for Sheriff's Sales. The Sheriff sees that all areas of the county are properly patrolled, accidents are investigated, and thefts and burglaries are handled promptly and properly. The Sheriff also directs the operation of the E-911 Communications Center which receives and dispatches calls for all emergency services.

Government, Law/Public Service/Security

TAYLOR ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE

Taylor Electric Cooperative is a rural electric distribution cooperative that provides electricity to over 4,300 customers in rural areas of Taylor County, plus portions of Marathon, Clark and Lincoln Counties. They maintain more than 850 miles of distribution lines. The cooperative is currently made up of 13 employees including 6 linemen and 7 office staff. Their mission is to be their members' most valuable resource for energy and related services.

Business/Management/Admin, Law/Public Service/Security, Science/Technology/Engineering

THE VELVET PUP

The Velvet Pup is a private, appointment-only dog grooming studio dedicated to providing calm, personalized grooming services in a low-stress, spa-inspired environment. Services include full grooms, mini grooms, and deshedding treatments tailored to each dog's individual coat and needs.

As a small business, The Velvet Pup combines hands-on skills with entrepreneurship, marketing, customer service, and brand development. The Velvet Pup demonstrates how skilled trades can grow into successful, modern businesses through professionalism, creativity, and community engagement.

Agriculture/Food/Natural Resources, Business/Management/Admin, Marketing

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

United States Air Force Recruiting connects motivated individuals with career opportunities that offer competitive pay, full medical and dental coverage, tuition assistance, technical training, and travel. We guide applicants through the enlistment process and help match their strengths to over 130 career fields — providing a clear path to education, stability, and purpose.

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UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN - EAU CLAIRE

The University of Wisconsin - Eau Claire cultivates spaces for discovery in every classroom, laboratory, residence hall, stage, and field. At UWEC students discover new passions and interests in over 200 unique academic programs, find a sense of belonging through campus events and over 100 student organizations, and feel empowered to take control of their academic future through scholarships and financial aid opportunities. UWEC is a midsize four-year public university in the city of Eau Claire, WI. We take pride in not just helping our students earn a degree, but in encouraging critical thinking, problem solving, and communication skills through study abroad, undergraduate research projects, and internship opportunities that will make you a valuable member of any workplace after graduation.

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UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-RIVER FALLS

An excellent education at an affordable price. That's our promise to you.

Recognized as one of the finest universities in the Midwest, our beautiful campus is located just 30 minutes from Minneapolis/St. Paul in the beautiful St. Croix Valley. We help students build skills for the future they want and turn learners into leaders. With a campus full of opportunities, students experience first-hand an inclusive, forward-thinking learning environment built just for them. We're shaping a new generation of self-starters and team builders, creative makers and critical thinkers. We are UW-River Falls and we're getting you ready for what's next.

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UP THERE, LLC

UP THERE, LLC is a wilderness-based Equine Facilitated Learning (EFL) program located in the Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest, serving Taylor, Rusk, and Price Counties, Wisconsin. Co-founded by Rachael Loucks and Rooster, UP THERE, LLC provides experiential learning and skill-building opportunities for youth, adults, and teams seeking to strengthen self-awareness, leadership, communication, and emotional resilience. Since 2019, Rachael and Rooster have combined their equine, education, and land-based experience to create meaningful programs that help participants navigate stress, build practical life skills, and strengthen relationships.

Agriculture/Food/Natural Resources, Education/Training, Human Services

UP THERE, LLC

Operation Horses Heal is a nonprofit organization co-founded by Rachael and Rooster that serves Veterans, active military members, and their families through equine-assisted experiences in the same Northwoods setting. Together, these two organizations expand access to equine-facilitated learning across civilian and military-connected communities while honoring the unique needs of each population.

Agriculture/Food/Natural Resources, Education/Training, Human Services

UTOPIA DAY SPA LLC

"Established in 2005 with a growing clientele of over 8,000 individuals from Medford and surrounding communities. In June 2022, we opened a second location in Marathon City. At Utopia we offer a wide range of massage treatments designed to meet client specific needs. In addition to massage we offer hydrotherapy treatments, foot detoxification, and tanning. We currently have positions open for full and part time massage therapists. Stop by our booth to talk about massage therapy schooling and the incentives we have to offer you!! "

Health

UW-MADISON - EXTENSION TAYLOR COUNTY

Through UW-Extension Taylor County residents have access to University of Wisconsin knowledge and researched based information right here at home to help you make informed decisions. Local Extension Educators can help make the information relevant to our local situations. Careers at Extension include Agriculture, 4-H Youth Development, Community Development, Food Education, Human Development, Horticulture, Forestry, and many more.

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UW-STOUT

University of Wisconsin-Stout is a mid-size, four-year, public university located in Menomonie, WI. Students who graduate from UW-Stout, Wisconsin's Polytechnic University, earn more than a diploma: they start exciting careers with experience on their resumes. The university's majors offer experiences that stretch students' minds and equip them with problem-solving and critical thinking skills valued by employers. Students often spend more time in labs than in traditional classrooms. Learn more about how Stout students do more on day one by visiting:

www.uwstout.edu.

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WEATHER SHIELD LLC.

Weather Shield, now a part of the Pella family of brands, has been committed to making windows and doors the best way we know how— by putting the wants of our customers first. Today, this philosophy remains the heart and soul of everything we do. Based in Medford, Wisconsin, Weather Shield proudly offers its comprehensive products and services nationwide. With more than 1,000 direct employees dedicated to providing everything homeowners want in windows and doors, we invite you to discover everything Weather Shield has to offer.

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WESTERN WI BUILDING TRADES COUNCIL

Association formed by 16 different construction/ building trades unions

Architecture/Construction

WISCONSIN ARMY NATIONAL GUARD

The Army National Guard is the part time component of the Army, offering the opportunity to serve your country and community without giving up your other plans for the future. Serve one weekend per month and two weeks out of the Summer and receive 100% free college tuition and other incentives up to \$20,000 in sign-on bonuses.

With over 100 different jobs available, from combat arms to Human Resources, there's something for everyone.

Government

WISCONSIN OPERATING ENGINEERS TRAINING CENTER

Heavy Equipment Operator, Mechanic, Apprenticeship

Architecture/Construction

ZENITH TECH INC.

Zenith Tech (ZTI) is the Walbec Group's heavy civil construction company, providing superior civil construction solutions. Working with private or federal clients, individuals, or national corporations, ZTI provides design insight, cost and schedule control, expert construction techniques, and construction services for infrastructure projects throughout the Midwest.

As part of the Walbec Group, we uphold integrity in our processes, systems, products, and outcomes. Our core values and culture reflect our commitment to the highest standards to meet our customers' long-term needs. The ZTI team, comprising structural and civil engineers, project managers, preconstruction estimators, project management assistants, and skilled union craft workers, commits to delivering quality workmanship. They ensure every project is completed on time, within budget, and to client satisfaction. They execute projects with efficiency, safety, and minimal environmental impact using state-of-the-art equipment and advanced technology.

Architecture/Construction

AGRICULTURE, FOOD AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Marathon Cheese
McDonald's
Medford Area Public School District
Medford Coop
Northcentral Technical College
Northcentral Technical College Wood Technology Center Of Excellence
Northcentral Technical College - Agriculture Center of Excellence
Swiderski Equipment Inc.
The Velvet Pup
University of Wisconsin - Eau Claire
University of Wisconsin-River Falls
UP THERE, LLC
UP THERE, LLC
UW-Madison - Extension Taylor County
UW-Stout

ARCHITECTURE AND CONSTRUCTION

Cavco Dorchester
Complete Control Inc.
IBEW Local 388
James Peterson Sons, Inc
McMillan Electric
Medford Area Public School District
Miron Construction Co., Inc.
Northcentral Technical College
Plumbers & Steamfitters Local 434
Sheet Metal Workers Local 18
Sierra Pacific Windows
United States Air Force
UW-Stout
Weather Shield LLC.
Western WI Building Trades Council
Wisconsin Operating Engineers Training Center
Zenith Tech Inc.

ARTS, AUDIO/VIDEO TECHNOLOGY AND COMMUNICATIONS

Medford Area Public School District
Northcentral Technical College
Prevail Bank
United States Air Force
University of Wisconsin - Eau Claire
University of Wisconsin-River Falls
UW-Stout

BUSINESS MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION

AbbyBank
Aspirus Health
Beauty by Joan
Black River Dental
Creative Automation Inc
Deluxe Plastics
Enerquip Thermal Solutions
Hawkins Ash CPAs
Klinner Insurance Inc.
Marathon Cheese
McDonald's
Medford Area Public School District
Medford Coop
Northcentral Technical College
Northcentral Technical College - Agriculture Center of Excellence
Prevail Bank
Sierra Pacific Windows
Taylor Electric Cooperative
The Velvet Pup
United States Air Force
University of Wisconsin - Eau Claire
University of Wisconsin-River Falls
UW-Madison - Extension Taylor County
UW-Stout
Weather Shield LLC.

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

McDonald's
Medford Area Public School District
Northcentral Technical College
Northcentral Technical College - Wood Technology
Center Of Excellence
Northcentral Technical College - Agriculture Center of
Excellence
Sheet Metal Workers Local 18
United States Air Force
University of Wisconsin - Eau Claire
University of Wisconsin-River Falls
UP THERE, LLC
UP THERE, LLC
UW-Madison - Extension Taylor County
UW-Stout

FINANCE

AbbyBank
Aspirus Health
Dixon Greiner Realty, LLC
Enerquip Thermal Solutions
Hawkins Ash CPAs
Medford Area Public School District
Medford Coop
Northcentral Technical College
Prevail Bank
Royal Credit Union
Sierra Pacific Windows
United States Air Force
University of Wisconsin - Eau Claire
University of Wisconsin-River Falls
UW-Stout
Weather Shield LLC.

GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

Clark County Rehabilitation and Living Center
Medford Area Public School District
Northcentral Technical College
Taylor County Emergency Management
Taylor County Health Department
Taylor County Sheriff's Office
United States Air Force
University of Wisconsin - Eau Claire
University of Wisconsin-River Falls
UW-Stout
Wisconsin Army National Guard

HEALTH SCIENCE

Aspirus Health
Black River Dental
Borealis Wellness Clinic
Clark County Rehabilitation and Living Center
HealthView Eye Care Center
Hope Hospice & Palliative Care
Medford Area Public School District
Northcentral Technical College
Spectrum Benefit Solutions & The Hedlund Agency
Taylor County Health Department
United States Air Force
University of Wisconsin - Eau Claire
University of Wisconsin-River Falls
Utopia Day Spa LLC
UW-Madison - Extension Taylor County
UW-Stout

HOSPITALITY AND TOURISM

Beauty by Joan
McDonald's
Medford Area Public School District
Northcentral Technical College
United States Air Force
University of Wisconsin - Eau Claire
UW-Stout

HUMAN SERVICES

AbbyBank
Beauty by Joan
Hope Hospice & Palliative Care
Klinner Insurance Inc.
Medford Area Public School District
Northcentral Technical College
Prevail Bank
Stepping Stones, Inc.
Taylor County Human Services Department
United States Air Force
University of Wisconsin - Eau Claire
University of Wisconsin-River Falls
UP THERE, LLC
UP THERE, LLC
UW-Madison - Extension Taylor County
UW-Stout

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

AbbyBank
Creative Automation Inc
Dixon Greiner Realty, LLC
Enerquip Thermal Solutions
Klinner Insurance Inc.
Marathon Cheese
Medford Area Public School District
Medford Coop
Northcentral Technical College
Prevail Bank
Sierra Pacific Windows
United States Air Force
University of Wisconsin - Eau Claire
University of Wisconsin-River Falls
UW-Madison - Extension Taylor County
UW-Stout
Weather Shield LLC.

LAW, PUBLIC SAFETY, CORRECTIONS AND SECURITY

Bauer Law Office, LLC
Medford Area Fire Department
Medford Area Public School District
Northcentral Technical College
Taylor County Health Department
Taylor County Sheriff's Office
Taylor Electric Cooperative
United States Air Force
University of Wisconsin - Eau Claire
University of Wisconsin-River Falls
UW-Stout

MANUFACTURING

ADM
Cavco Dorchester
Creative Automation Inc
Deluxe Plastics
Dixon Greiner Realty, LLC
Enerquip Thermal Solutions
Intek Plastics
Loos Machine & Automation
Marathon Cheese
Medford Area Public School District
Northcentral Technical College
Northcentral Technical College Wood Technology
Center Of Excellance
Sierra Pacific Windows
United States Air Force
University of Wisconsin - Eau Claire
UW-Stout
Weather Shield LLC.

MARKETING

AbbyBank
Aspirus Health
Enerquip Thermal Solutions
Klinner Insurance Inc.
Medford Area Public School District
Medford Coop
Medford Motors Inc.
Northcentral Technical College
Prevail Bank
Sierra Pacific Windows
The Velvet Pup
United States Air Force
University of Wisconsin - Eau Claire
University of Wisconsin-River Falls
UW-Madison - Extension Taylor County
UW-Stout
Weather Shield LLC.

TRANSPORTATION, DISTRIBUTION AND LOGISTICS

Marathon Cheese
Medford Area Public School District
Medford Coop
Medford Motors Inc.
Northcentral Technical College
Northcentral Technical College - Agriculture Center of Excellence
Sierra Pacific Windows
United States Air Force
University of Wisconsin - Eau Claire
Weather Shield LLC.

SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING AND MATHEMATICS

Creative Automation Inc
Deluxe Plastics
Dixon Greiner Realty, LLC
Enerquip Thermal Solutions
Loos Machine & Automation
Medford Area Public School District
Northcentral Technical College
Northcentral Technical College Wood Technology Center Of Excellence
Northcentral Technical College - Agriculture Center of Excellence
Sierra Pacific Windows
Taylor Electric Cooperative
United States Air Force
University of Wisconsin - Eau Claire
University of Wisconsin-River Falls
UW-Stout
Weather Shield LLC.

Student Name: _____

HEMGROWN SUCCESS

Career Exploration Assignment

Directions:

1. Meet with a minimum of two different business representatives
2. Discuss and answer the following questions
3. Get their signature as verification

Business 1:

Business & Representative's Name: _____

Representative's Job Title: _____

What attracted you to this type of work?

What are the most rewarding and most challenging aspects of your current role?

What are some of the special/unique skills needed in this profession?

Are there any duties that you didn't realize you would be doing before you started your career?

What type of degree/certification (if any) is needed to have this career and what type of training or education would you recommend?

Business representatives signature: _____

Student Name: _____

HOMEGROWN SUCCESS

Career Exploration Assignment

Directions:

1. Meet with a minimum of two different business representatives
2. Discuss and answer the following questions
3. Get their signature as verification

Business 2:

Business & Representative's Name: _____

Representative's Job Title: _____

What attracted you to this type of work?

What are the most rewarding and most challenging aspects of your current role?

What are some of the special/unique skills needed in this profession?

Are there any duties that you didn't realize you would be doing before you started your career?

What type of degree/certification (if any) is needed to have this career and what type of training or education would you recommend?

Business representatives signature: _____