



Aerospace at Age 18 for Goodwin Seniors

E.C. Goodwin Technical High School Precision Machining students, seniors Anastasia Hunter and Jason Gray, are well on their way to a career in manufacturing, having signed their pre-apprenticeship with Hanwha Aerospace and working part-time with the company through the Work-based Learning program.

“We work with a lot of ‘wise men’ that have been in the field for 40 plus years,” said Anastasia. “Not many people my age get this opportunity.”

“I have a much greater sense of maturity,” said Jason. “I’m balancing school and work, and starting my career at age 18.”

While both students were not initially interested in the manufacturing field, the career opportunities that came after graduation drew them into the trade area.

Anastasia plans on attending college for manufacturing engineering and Jason for mechanical engineering, while continuing to work for Hanwha. The degrees earned in these fields go hand-in-hand with many of the positions at the aerospace company, where they are hopeful they may land a full-time engineering job after graduation.

Both students agree that Goodwin Tech taught them the fundamentals of their chosen career path, and the pre-apprenticeship experience has taught them another level of precision.

According to Jason, “Doors open up when you go to a tech school.”