

## The US Needs a Skilled Workforce 🗛

The wood products manufacturing industry, consisting of thousands of companies ranging from entrepreneurs, woodworking & FURNISHINGS SUPPLIERS small businesses, and family operations to large corporations operating in all fifty states...



## Requests your support of Perkins funding, apprenticeship programs, and other legislation to support a skilled workforce!

The wood products manufacturing industry is modern, computerized, and technologically advanced. We design, build, and innovate interior environments for residential, commercial, and institutional spaces. Our products - cabinets, millwork, furniture, flooring, stairs, store fixtures and more - touch Americans every single day in home, office, business, school, hospital, and retail spaces. We make life functional, comfortable, and livable!



## We have jobs but need applicants!

Let's work together to re-establish the value of careers in manufacturing!







SkillsUSA California Cabinetmaking Contestants



Industry Campaign

## What We Ask of You:

- Secure and increase funding for the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act to ensure a new stream of prepared workers coming out of K12 and community colleges
- Coordinate efforts with the **Department of Labor's Apprenticeship Task Force** and encourage alternative apprenticeship opportunities for small businesses
- Join the Congressional Caucuses on Career Technical Education (if not already a member)
- Seize every opportunity to positively portray Career Technical Education and manufacturing careers
- Reach out to us for more information, resources, and to coordinate a district visit with one of our member companies!



Industry Professionals Teaching Students



Manufacturing Day Events



Introducing Students to **Industry Machinery** 



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