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Career Connected Learning Grant & Adams Co

The Career Connected Learning of Grant and Adams Counties has been working along side many of the local businesses to foster youth education and career development.

Many companies like SGL Group, Simplot, Chemi-Con Materials have hosted "Occupational Exploration" days within their faculties to local school districts, all the way from Othello and Wahluke, up to Grand Coulee Dam School Districts.



Chemi-Con employees Jose Rebelledo and Stela Heuschkel teaching soft-skills to students at CBTech during the workforce readiness clinic.

Chemi-Con Materials also came out to the Columbia Basin Technical Skills Center to teach a day on "soft-skills" during the Workforce readiness clinic.

"The soft skills – things like the ability to work together, being on time, the ability to communicate – matter just as much to prospective employers," said Cari Horning, the career connected learning specialist with Apple STEM Network.

Along with this hard work, SGL Group has announced they have hired four high school apprentices from Moses Lake, Ephrata, Soap Lake School Districts and the Moses Lake SkillSource. June 28, 2019 was Youth Apprenticeship Signing Day in Washington State. At the ShoWare Center in Kent the four new apprentices from Grant County signed with the Aerospace Joint Apprenticeship Committee (AJAC). This day recognizes Washington's newest high school registered Youth Apprentices along with the commitment from their hiring employers.



New apprentices from Grant County signing with AJAC for on-the-job training at SGL Group in Moses Lake.

The students will complete 2,000 hours of paid on-the-job training, three college-level classes and work experience specifically designed to develop the students while they complete their high school education.



AeroTEC Announces Testing of All Electric Plane in Moses Lake

AeroTEC and Eviation Aircraft announced on June 18, 2019 at the Paris Air Show that the Moses Lake Flight Testing Center will be testing the new all electric plane "Alice". Eviation CEO is aiming to complete testing and be certified by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) by late 2021 or early 2022.

The Alice plane maximum weight at take off is 14,000 pounds of which, 59% will be from the batteries. The Alice will have a flight range of 650 miles at 276 miles per hour and 10,000 feet altitude.

Another Washington State business, magniX plans to provide one of two

electric propulsion options for the nine-passenger plane. Both options for the propulsion have not been certified by the FAA.

AeroTEC will also be working with magniX to test the 750 horsepower magni500 all-electric propulsion system on a Cessna Caravan 208B. The companies are projecting that certification on the propulsion system to start by the end of 2019.



The companies are working to reduce operating costs, make air travel more affordable and connect communities with electric aviation for passengers and communities within a 1,000 mile radius to create new opportunities for the movement of people and goods.

Columbia Basin Job Corps Funding to Stay with the US Forest Services

On June 20, 2019 the US federal government announced that funding for the twenty-five Job Corps Campuses will stay with the United States Forest Services (USFS).

In May 2019, the Trump administration announced intention to transfer the Job Corps from the USFS to the Department of Labor (DOL) by the end of September, arguing that the Job Corps was not essential to the USFS core mission. This would have resulted in the closure of nine campuses across

the nation. It is likely that the remaining campuses would have been under a private contract.

Washington Representative Dan Newhouse worked hard on a bipartisan coalition within Congress to reverse the May decision.

"Hearing the success stories from CCCs [U.S. Forest Service Job Corps Civilian Conservation Centers] in White Swan and Moses Lake have reaffirmed my belief that these programs – and these students – deserve our investment." Said Rep.

Newhouse. "I look forward to witnessing their future successes as they continue to carry out the U.S. Forest Service motto, 'Caring for the land and serving people,' in Central Washington and across the country."





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