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IN-MaC's Second Annual Micro-Grant Virtual Impact Summit

Educators, industry partners, and community-based organizations invited to learn more about how micro-grants are creating opportunities to prepare the future workforce

WEST LAFAYETTE, IN— Registration is now open for the **Indiana Next Generation Manufacturing Competitiveness Center's** (IN-MaC) second annual Micro-Grant Virtual Impact Summit. This year's summit will be held virtually on Friday, September 4, 2020, from 10 a.m. to noon. The summit includes presentations from Lewis Cass Polytechnic Academy, University High School, Whitley County Consolidated Schools, Genesis: Pathways to Success, Mishawaka Schools, and STEM YES!

The summit connects educators (K-16), industry professionals, and STEM-focused organizations from across the state of Indiana and advances the workforce and STEM conversation. Attendees will discuss micro-grant best practices and showcase micro-grant grantees, programming, and initiatives supported through the micro-grant resources.

"IN-MaC engages with local, regional, and state partnerships that focus on developing skills and improving opportunities for the region's current and future workforce. The summit creates an ecosystem to accelerate the exchange of best practices and share knowledge and resources across the state," said Lisa Deck, IN-MaC program manager for education and workforce.

Participants will gain insights into STEM talent development from across the state of Indiana. Attendees will also have the opportunity to connect with a diverse network of professionals and learn more about the 2020-2021 IN-MaC Micro-Grant programming.

Registration is open and \$30 per participant. The deadline for registration is September 3, 2020.

To register for the IN-MaC Micro-Grant Virtual Impact Summit, please visit <http://www.purdue.edu/conferences/micrograntsummit>



To learn more about IN-MaC and the micro-grant program, visit <https://www.purdue.edu/in-mac/> or contact Lisa Deck at adeck@purdue.edu.

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About IN-MaC: IN-MaC provides programs and services to enhance the talents and capabilities of Indiana's present and future workforce by facilitating connections between educators and industry to catalyze the formation of near-term and long-term skills in a highly accessible manner across Indiana. IN-MaC supports a variety of STEM-type, skilled trades, degree (associates and undergraduate), and certificate programs.

IN-MaC leverages its resources, networks, and partnerships with industry, local communities, educators, and interested stakeholders to provide a variety of formal courses and informal activities that embolden pathways to meet the present and future manufacturing workforce's talent needs.

About IN-MaC Micro-Grant Program: The micro-grants are designed to support innovation and encourage organizations across Indiana to dedicate resources towards development and program implementation that impact and create manufacturing awareness for youth (K-12), post-secondary students, and the incumbent workforce.