













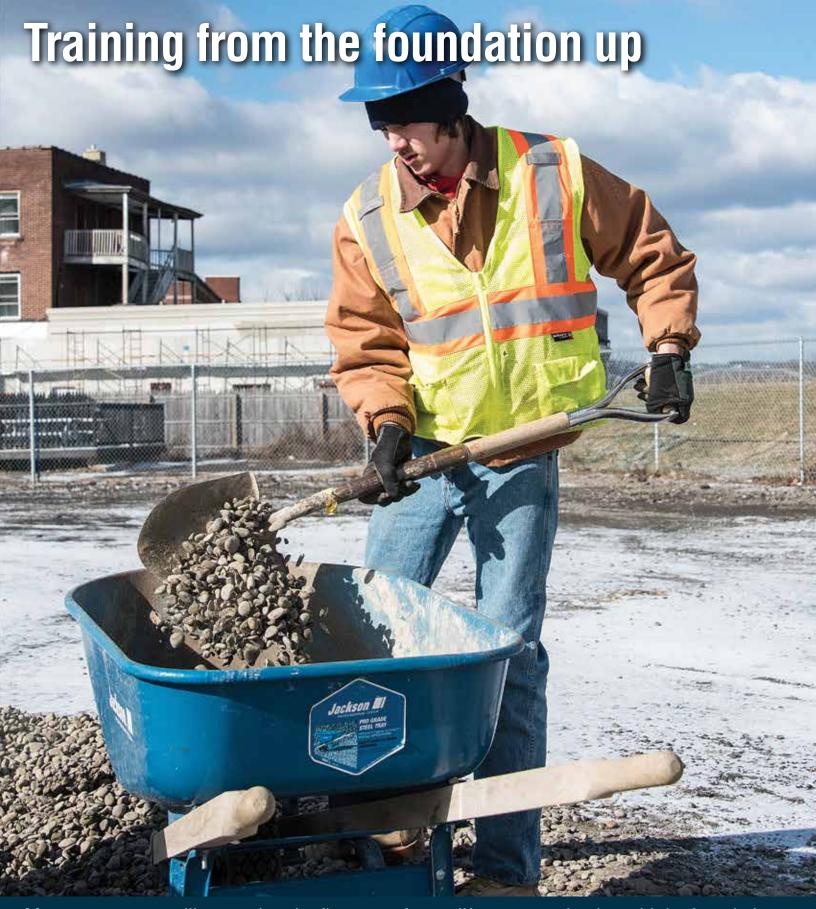




As the backyard mechanics slowly succumb to the sophisticated technology that governs nearly every aspect of the modern automobile, job-ready people such as Ricky Powell (above right) are in high demand at repair shops and dealerships throughout the country. With a classroom located just down the hall from the service facility at Gault Toyota, students in BOCES' automotive technology program have the rare opportunity to learn and work side-by-side with highly trained professionals.







Most contractors will agree that the first test of a qualify structure begins with its foundation. And so it is with education and the development of job-ready skills. As a paid intern with FE Jones Construction, William Aswad (above), a second year carpentry student, is learning the business from the bottom up. Hard work - with strict attention to detail and instruction - will pave the way for a solid career.



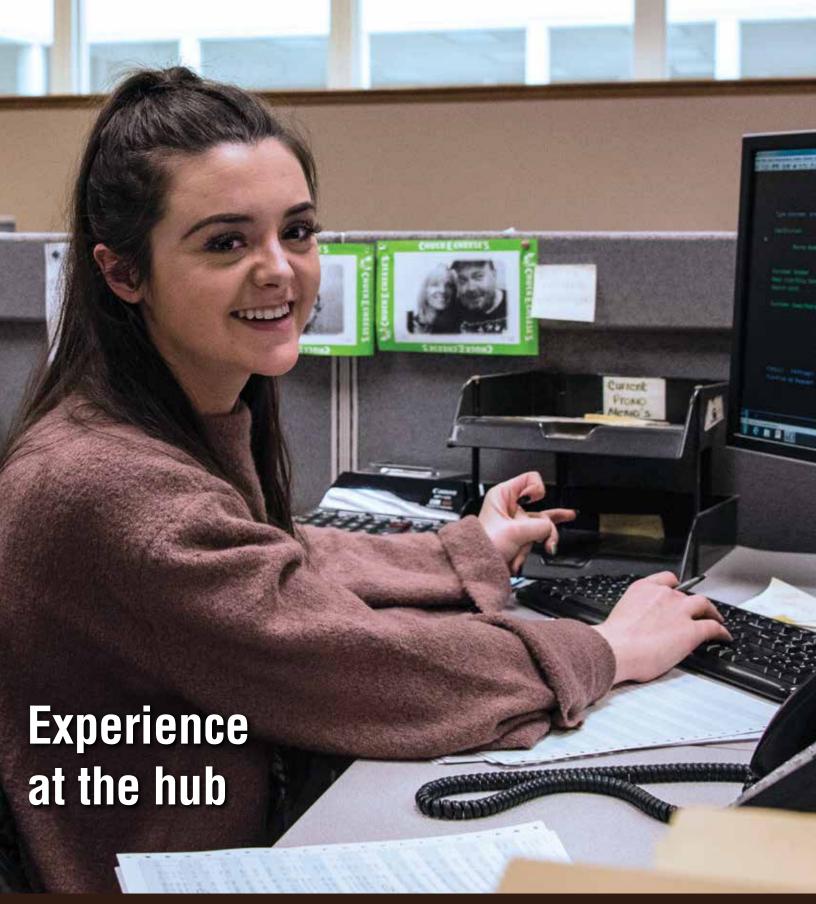
Sherman Toyota. Sure, there's plenty of hands-on stuff going on, but knowing the intricate details and being able to execute proper procedures in a safety conscious way are the keys to long-term success.



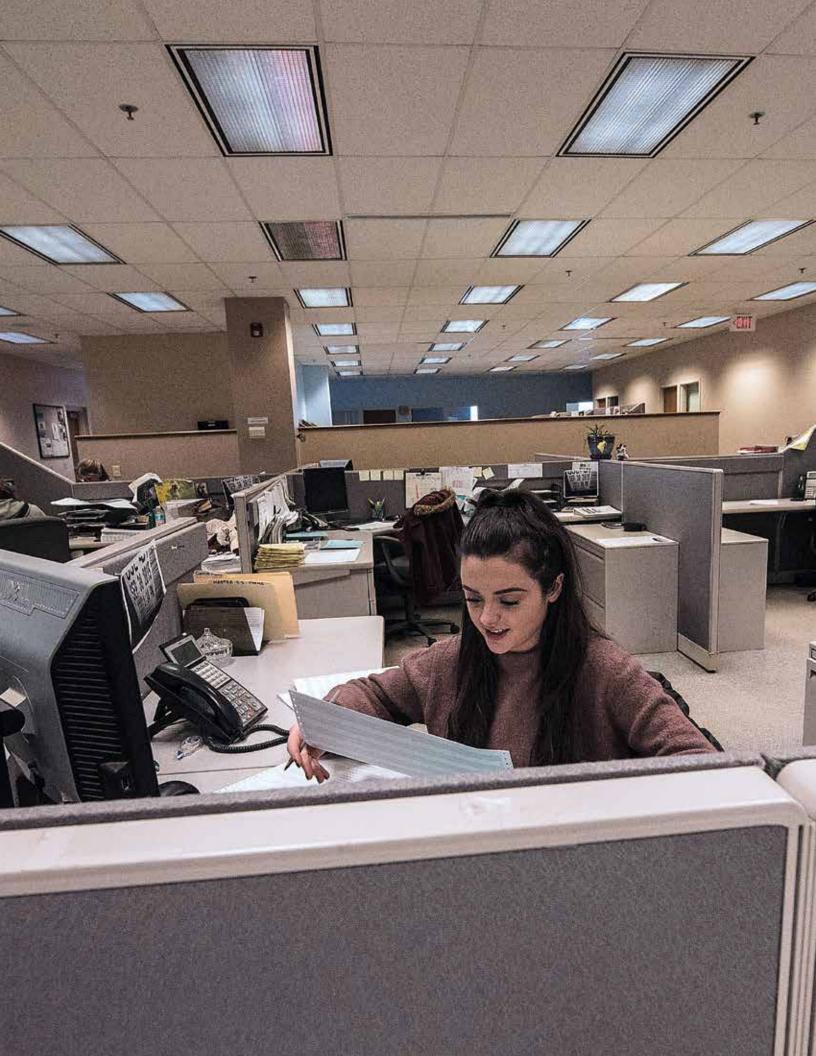


There's a lot to be learned interning with an industrial world-leader, and so it's hard to overstate the educational value of the time Coy Austin spends as a youth apprentice at Raymond Corporation in Greene. Working in corporate logistics, he has a front row seat for observing how all the pieces are pulled together at a thriving international business.





In a highly competitive business, customer service is critical to lasting success. That patient, attentive, knowledgeable person on the phone or corporate keyboard provides an important connection between the company and its clients. Emma Scoville is learning those skills working at Willow Run Foods through BOCES' youth apprenticeship program.





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