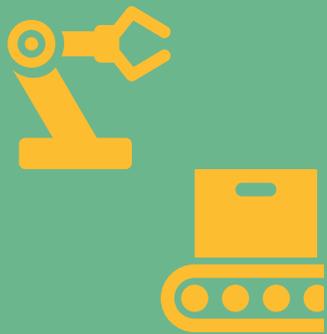


Celebrating Continuing Education



The **Customized Training Program** supports industries in Harnett, Lee and Chatham counties. It provides effective instructional delivery to create a world-class workforce to enhance the global competitiveness of local industries. From July - December 2022, Customized Training managed **8 projects** training **591 individuals** taking **983 hours of training**. Another **4 companies** and **99 employees** took additional customized training.



The **Job Ready Bootcamp Forklift** fundamentals course launched in Spring 2023. All **6 students in its inaugural class** have gained full-time employment.



The **Truck Driver Training** program launched in June 2022 and has successfully held two classes. Its third is currently underway helping **16 new students** obtain a Class A Commercial Driver's License.



The Small Business Center supports local entrepreneurs through the **RISE, SPARK, and Next Level** Programs, which assist individuals in starting new businesses. To date, RISE has supported **12 business starts** and **32 jobs created**. SPARK has supported **1 business start** and **10 jobs created**.



The **Manufacturing Operations** class, which combines manufacturing knowledge with OSHA Training, and Work-Based Learning, has been tailored to meet the demands of local area employers.