

# Harper College Employer Partnerships

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# Harper is YOUR Business Partner

*We believe that our community deserves a dedicated partner that will listen attentively, show up consistently, and creatively bring solutions to new and old problems*



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# Employer Partnerships are a Priority at Harper College

Partnerships are at the core of the Strategic Plan and the work of the Business Strategy Team

Apprenticeship employer partnerships have grown from 7 to 73 since 2015

Employer engagement has been strengthened across multiple sectors

Workforce Solutions Staff has increased visibility in the community

“Courting” new employer partners annually



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# The 3 C's of Successful Employer Partnerships

Commit

Collaborate

Construct



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# When we Partner – Students SUCCEED!

- **“Apprenticeships is a great model and it really worked for me.”** – Daniel Montano ([Apprentice Graduate](#))
- **“I was working as an ice cream store manager, and I wasn’t sure if I wanted to continue down that path. A friend told my mom about the apprenticeship program. I applied and it has been good things since.”** - Will Banks ([Apprentice Graduate](#))
- **“The apprenticeship is not just a job that you go to every day. You can really build a future here.”** – Iris Arroyo ([Apprentice Graduate](#))



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## *Successful Employer Partnerships = Positive Student Success outcomes*

- Currently, onboarding **85** apprentices for Fall 2023
- **38% increase** in apprenticeship enrollments compared to this time last year
- Apprenticeship graduation Rate is **72%**



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# *Rush University Medical Center*

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“When we (Rush) met with Harper to discuss the possibility of building an MA Apprenticeship it was apparent there was a common, unifying goal: to see those who want to receive an education and increase their earning potential succeed.”







# CLEARBROOK

Enrich Lives. Embrace Potential

*Partnering to serve students in multiple ways.*

❖ *CNA apprenticeships*

❖ *CSI job placements*

❖ *Promise Scholars  
community service*



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# *McDonald's Archways to Opportunity Program*

Comprehensive education strategy

Gives McDonald's associates an opportunity to grow and learn.

Harper serves as the primary education provider



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What's Next?

**PARTNERSHIP LAUNCH**  
*Event*

Harper College  
Bear Family Restaurants

**JOIN US FOR THE OFFICIAL LAUNCH CELEBRATION OF THE PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN HARPER COLLEGE & BEAR FAMILY RESTAURANTS, MCDONALD'S FRANCHISEE!**

**TUESDAY**  
**JUNE 27, 2023**  
10:00 AM

**MCDONALD'S**  
1070 N ROSELLE ROAD  
HOFFMAN ESTATES, IL 60169



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# Questions



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