A new partnership between Wake County and Wake Tech, WakeWorks was developed to address the county’s shortage of technical workers — while making college affordable. The program expands apprenticeship opportunities in skilled trades and technician programs – areas where the local talent pool can’t meet the demand.

BUILDING FUTURES.
For students, apprenticeships offer opportunities to earn while they learn – and to get a leg up on employment and workplace success. Funding through WakeWorks will cover tuition, fees, books, uniforms and tools for students, putting a college education within reach for some who never thought one possible.

BUILDING BUSINESSES.
Companies know that skilled workers are critical to their success. Apprenticeships are expanding across the U.S. as industries seek workers with experience as well as education and training. WakeWorks will help local industry meet their staffing needs.

Wake Tech Apprenticeship programs:
• Welding
• Pipefitting/Plumbing
• Electrical
• Carpentry
• HVAC

Apprenticeship programs beginning Fall 2020:
• Automotive Technician
• EMT/Paramedic
• Apartment Maintenance Technician
• Tower Technician
• Building & Code Inspector

Wake Tech plans to add apprenticeship opportunities in IT and health sciences in the future.

“You need to weigh your options and realize what a regular four-year degree is going to offer you and what you really want. If you have no idea what direction you’re heading, then an apprenticeship program is a great way to help you find yourself along the way—and find out what your true passions are.”

Luke Fouts
Class of 2018, Mechanical Engineering Apprentice, Bühler Aeroglide Corporation

Ready to become a WakeWorks Apprenticeship Partner?
Contact Dr. Pam Howze
Executive Director of Apprenticeships, Customized Training and Work-Based Learning
919-335-1218 | pbhowze@waketech.edu
Visit wakeworks.waketech.edu to download your employer kit.

wakeworks.waketech.edu