

Precision Plus honored with award

Futuremaker Partner Award presented by Gateway Technical College, WTCS

Precision Plus is the recipient of the Futuremaker Partner Award by Gateway Technical College and the Wisconsin Technical College System. The award recognizes the unique and dynamic partnerships forged between Wisconsin's technical colleges and their employer partners.

Precision Plus is an Elkhorn-based leader in manufacturing that combines skilled precision with traditional craftsmanship.

"We cannot thank the WTCS and our partners at Gateway Technical College enough for this incredible honor," said Precision Plus Vice President of Sales and Engineering, Mike P. Reader.

"At Precision Plus, we focus on making a difference in our community, especially with our partners in education. This focus helps change the stigma of traditional manufacturing and further showcases the various career pathways and opportunities available within the precision machining and advanced manufacturing world," he added.

"We are truly proud of our team at Precision Plus, who are passionate and excited about making a difference in the industry and developing the next generation of advanced manufacturing professionals," Reader said.

Reader said, Precision Plus, who also serves on Gateway's

advisory boards, helped the college secure new equipment that better aligns the college curriculum with the advancements in the precision machining and advanced manufacturing industries. The company makes it its mission to invest in the next generation of manufacturing professionals by offering insights into machining careers to students through hands-on learning experiences by employing high school youth apprentices.

The company also showcases the precision machining industry by visiting and volunteering at middle and high schools year-round, opening its doors to class tours, and hosting an annual Manufacturing Day event each October in celebration of National Manufacturing Month.

"Mike J Reader and his company, Precision Plus, began their engagement with Gateway at a time when such partnerships were critical to revitalize manufacturing in our region and country," said Gateway Technical College President and CEO Ritu Raju.

"Mike's support and vision led to the creation of the Reader Precision Machining and Manufacturing (RPM) Center on our Elkhorn Campus. Mike has been a thought partner, an active collaborator and a committed supporter of Gateway's



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manufacturing programs," Raju added.

The WTCS strives to create unique, dynamic, and enduring connections with employers of all sizes in every sector and geographic region and is a reflection of the Futuremaker Partner Award presented to Precision Plus.

"Precision Plus is a leader in their industry and community, and they're very deserving of the Futuremaker Partner award

for their strong collaboration with Gateway Technical College," said S. Mark Tyler, WTCS board president.

"The company and its leaders were integral to the creation of the Reader Precision and Manufacturing Center on Gateway's Elkhorn Campus, having spearheaded the effort to create the 6,200-square-foot center by helping provide financial support, industry expertise and

more. It is connections like these that allow Wisconsin's technical colleges to continue serving their communities and educating the workforce our employers need," Tyler added.

Precision Plus also received the Special Award for Investment in the Next Generation at the 34th Annual Wisconsin Manufacturer of the Year Awards this past February. The company further supports technical education at

local high schools by providing transportation funding for students to attend machining-related conferences and events, like the International Manufacturing Technology Show.

About Precision Plus

Precision Plus provides precision-machined solutions for small parts across industries in the defense, firearms, medical, dental, industrial, and more. The company's award-winning culture of passionate manufacturing professionals and commitment to ongoing investments in technology results in timely responses, quality products, and on-time delivery.

Through collaborative engagement/early supplier involvement with its clients, Precision Plus' Application Engineering team can help develop the most cost-effective solutions to deliver ultimate performance and value.

With support from our knowledgeable Production team, the company's professional Client Services group provides timely responses and delivers quality products on time and at a fair price. Precision Plus offers inventory management programs for its clients, whereby its team monitors inventory levels and finished components are shipped as needed.