



## Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ's)

### What is the NEI FAME program?

The Northeast Indiana Federation for Advanced Manufacturing Education is a partnership of regional manufacturers and Ivy Tech Community College Fort Wayne and Warsaw. It implements career pathway, internship style educational programs to feed a pipeline of highly skilled workers.

### What can I do in high school to prepare for the NEI FAME program?

Focus on meeting graduation requirements and consider enrolling in Career Technical Education (CTE) courses or work-based learning opportunities. Also, focus on six professional behaviors: *school/work attendance, initiative, diligence, interpersonal relations, teamwork, and written/verbal communication.*

### Who is eligible to apply for the NEI FAME program?

Any graduating high school senior or anyone interested in a degree and career in advanced manufacturing.

### Why should I apply for the NEI FAME opportunity?

You can earn 60 college credit hours (A.A.S. in Industrial Technology through Ivy Tech Fort Wayne/Warsaw) and approximately 1,800 hours of paid on-the-job training with a partner company that will cover the entire cost of the program. You will develop critical soft skills and advanced technical knowledge that can lead to a fulfilling career in advanced manufacturing.

### Where do I apply to NEI FAME?

Apply online at [northeastindianafame.com](http://northeastindianafame.com)

### What is the deadline to apply?

Application deadline is November 1, 2020.

### How do I learn more about a specific company?

More information about partner companies can be found at [northeastindianafame.com](http://northeastindianafame.com)

### How do I set myself apart from other candidates to be selected by a company?

When you apply, highlight any prior work experience, academic achievements, mechanical abilities, problem solving/critical thinking skills, communication skills, and examples of successful school/work-based projects.

### What is the employer selection process timeline?

Applicants will receive a notification by end of calendar year 2020.

### What is the average salary and benefits to a student?

Each student will be paid a competitive hourly wage. Depending on the company, it may be a straight base wage OR a base wage plus tuition assistance.

### How long is the program commitment?

Two years.

### When does this program start?

A company-aligned internship program will start in the summer (June) of 2021 and Ivy Tech program coursework will start in the fall (August) of 2021.