



WORKFORCE & TRAINING

“When Daikin headquarters looks at our workforce, they see a workforce that is adaptable, smart and hardworking.” - Larry Kroggel, Director of Human Resources, Daikin Applied

Virginia is a right-to-work state with one of the lowest unionization rates in the country. In Augusta County and the surrounding region, we provide a quality, motivated, and skilled labor base. Employers can recruit from a pool of over 22,000 annual graduates from 14 colleges and universities in the area. We have a workforce development team in place that coordinates and funds employment and customized training activities to help new and existing employers achieve their company goals.

Local technical training programs currently include:

- Mechatronics
- Bioprocessing
- Welding
- Commercial Driving
- Commercial Pilot
- Packaging

Regional Workforce Training Initiatives

- Blue Ridge Community College Advanced Manufacturing Center
- Valley Career and Technical Center
- Dream It. Do It.

- Shenandoah Valley Partnership Education and Training Database
- Valley Workforce Initiatives
- Innovate Live

Valley Career Hub

An online career resource that highlights opportunities and training for high-growth, high-wage, in-demand careers in the Shenandoah Valley.