

**Norwin Middle School Students Create Documentary-Style Films about Local Manufacturing Companies
Voting Begins Monday, February 10th, in the *What's So Cool About Manufacturing?* Contest**

NORTH HUNTINGDON, Pa. — Norwin Middle School students in Ms. Julie Painter's video production crew have once again created documentary-style videos for the *What's So Cool About Manufacturing?* regional contest.

As part of this contest, student film crews toured two local companies, **Intervala** and **Stellar Precision Components**, to learn about the products they make. Through interviews with company representatives, and some skillful video work, the students made compelling and educational videos that celebrate local manufacturing.

The *What's So Cool About Manufacturing?* video contests were launched to create a new perspective and regional awareness about the exciting career opportunities that exist in manufacturing for students, parents, teachers, and the community. The Pittsburgh-area contests are produced by [Catalyst Connection](#) in Pittsburgh, PA. Pittsburgh Central counties include Allegheny, Armstrong, and Westmoreland.

Norwin School District encourages all families, staff, and community members to [view the videos](#) and consider voting in support of their favorite video beginning the morning of Monday, February 10th.

The Norwin Middle School eighth-grade students who created the Stellar Precision Components video included **Natalie Amantea, Rex Wu, Andrew Brown, Nathan Helpenstine**, and **Franco Alvarez**. Enzo Washowich, 7th Grade, helped to video. The Norwin Middle School seventh-grade students who created the Intervala video included **Enzo Washowich, Keara Gregg, Jonathan Manns, Gracie Paulovich**, and **Lukas Dimitroff**. Rex Wu, 8th Grade, helped to video.

Teacher Ms. Julie Painter said the partnerships with local businesses provide students with real-life experience and the opportunity to create amazing manufacturing videos to share with their peers.

"The teams worked so well collaboratively on the videos," Ms. Painter said. "The crew is a great group. The students demonstrated the very best of not only technical acumen with the editing and videoing, but also with some of those soft, 21st Century skills like creativity, collaboration, and critical thinking."

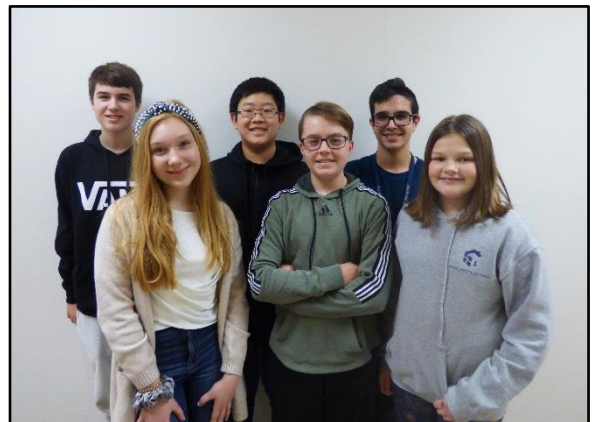
This is the fourth year in which Norwin Middle School students have created videos for the *What's So Cool About Manufacturing?* contest.

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STUDENTS' VIDEO**

You can view the Norwin Middle School video submissions at this link:

<https://www.whatssocool.org/contests/pittsburgh-central/>

Voting begins the morning of Monday, 2/10/20, and ends at 5 p.m. Friday, 2/14/20.



Above: 7th Grade Intervala Video Team: Back Row (L to R): Lukas Dimitroff, Rex Wu, Enzo Washowich. Front Row (L to R): Gracie Paulovich, Jonathan Manns, Keara Gregg.

Below: 8th Grade Stellar Precision Components video team: Back Row (L to R): Rex Wu, Franco Alvarez, Nathan Helpenstine. Front Row (L to R): Enzo Washowich, Natalie Amantea, Drew Brown.

