

ON THE JOB

Meet **Jacob P. Wojcik**, *Engineering Technician*



Name: Jacob P. Wojcik

Age: 22

Family: Mother Lisa, father Jeffrey, sisters Elizabeth and Anna

Education: Westfield Vocational Technical High School (manufacturing technology); Springfield Technical Community College with associate's degree in mechanical engineering technology; senior at Central Connecticut State University pursuing a bachelor's degree in manufacturing engineering technology

Occupation: Aerospace manufacturing

Job title: Engineering technician

Place of employment: WGI Inc.

Previous place of employment: Video West Inc.

Years on the job: 6+

Years of training: Continuous

Income range: Starting: \$35,000 to \$55,000, with potential up to \$100,000+

Fringe benefits: On-the-job training, vacation/personal days, compensatory time, health and life insurance, medical reimbursement, tuition reimbursement, and retirement plan with employer match

Opportunities for advancement: Within the engineering department I can advance to engineering manager and lead a team of engineers

Why I like my job: "My job has a direct link to Westfield Vocational Technical High School, which I graduated from in 2002. This school taught me the basic fundamentals of the machining trade and pointed me in the direction of a career with endless opportunities. I like my job because I can use the knowledge I gained from high school and college to perform at a respectable level. I have not stopped learning since I began my career in manufacturing. WGI Inc. also offers a tuition reimbursement program for those who wish to pursue a college degree related to the industry. That has allowed me to continue my education while simultaneously earning a solid income."