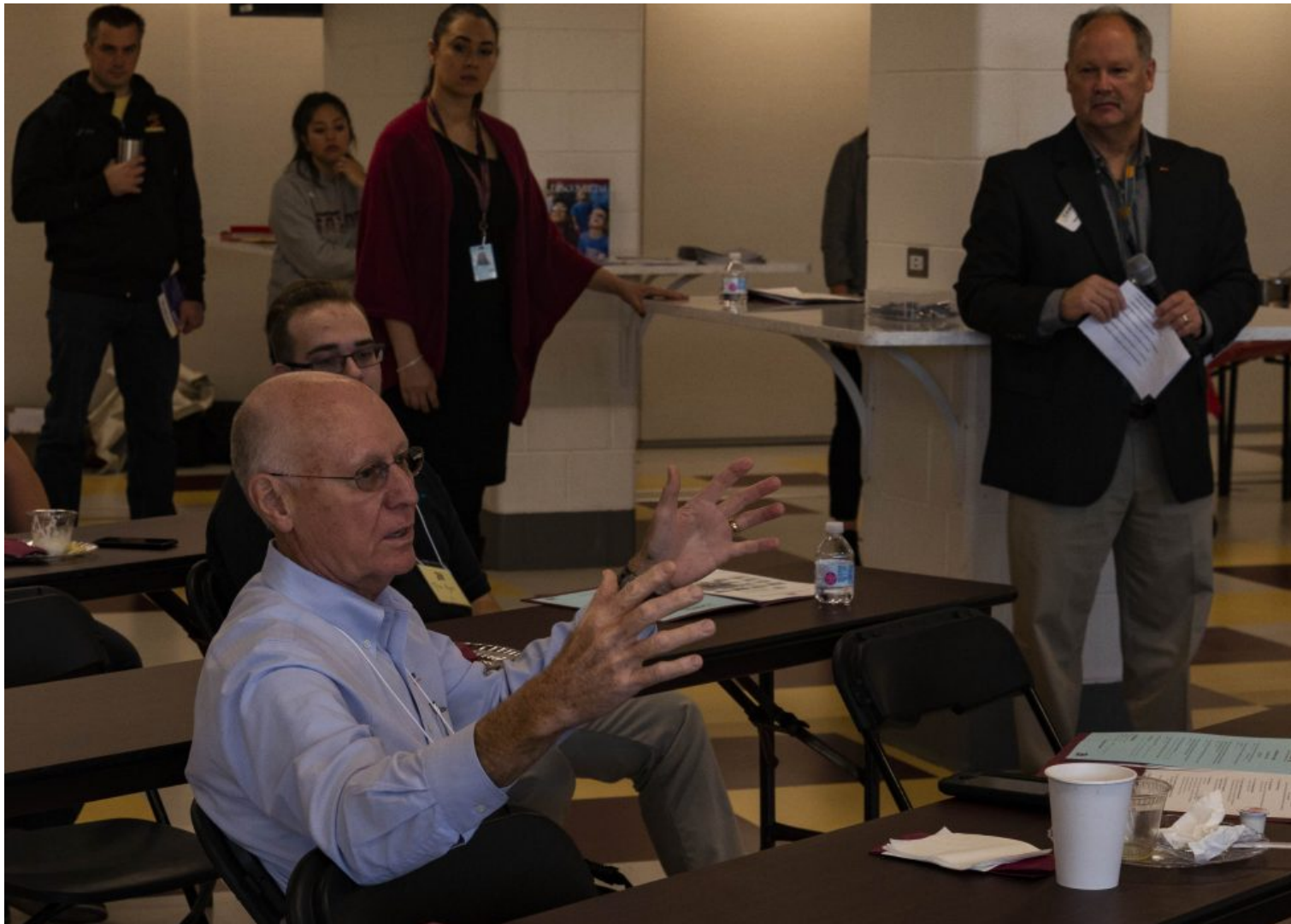


D211 POST: DISTRICT 211 HOSTS GCAMP BREAKFAST



Representatives from District 211, as well as Harper College, GCAMP (the Golden Corridor Advanced Manufacturing Partnership), and area manufacturing companies gathered at Schaumburg High School for the GCAMP Breakfast Nov. 8. During the meeting, the group discussed internships, apprenticeships, and the future of student involvement in manufacturing.

Following the breakfast, District 211 Associate Superintendent for Instruction and Superintendent-Elect Dr. Lisa Small, delivered a presentation on the career cluster and pathway development program used by the District to help students prepare for life out of high school. At the conclusion of her presentation, a panel of manufacturing leaders and organization leaders who discussed the importance and benefit of student internships and apprenticeships.



At the conclusion of the panel discussion, attendees were divided into groups and were taken on a tour of the various applied technology classrooms at SHS. Each classroom was demonstrated by student representatives from each District 211 school.

One of the tour guides was Schaumburg High School junior Wendy Torres. She said that the event allowed businesses to learn from each other, but also gave the students present a chance to see what opportunities were available in the manufacturing field.

“This event is important because it gives us the opportunity to see what companies they could join as well as what internships and apprenticeships are available,” she said.



For Paul Rimington, treasurer for GCAMP, the event is an important introduction tool for the manufacturers as well.

“We need to introduce the manufacturers to how good these kids are, and how prepared they are for going into manufacturing,” he said.

GCAMP’s mission is to work towards creating a sustainable manufacturing workforce along the I-90 in the Chicago Northwest suburbs.