

Kent Displays, Inc., Celebrates National Manufacturing Day with Site Visit from Area K-12, University Students

Dr. Albert Green, CEO of Kent Displays Inc., the maker of Boogie Board® eWriters, and his employees celebrated National Manufacturing Day, October 7, 2016, by opening their doors to students from Stanton Middle School in Kent, Ohio and members of the University of Akron Electronics Club. With exciting hands-on activities at this invitation-only event to highlight

research and development, advanced manufacturing, marketing and quality assurance, Kent Displays, Inc., seeks to educate and inspire the students to understand the complexities of modern manufacturing and to consider the wide variety of careers available at a successful manufacturing facility in Ohio.



Dear Kent Displays thank you for giving us the oppertunity to come to the buisness. I learned alot over the time the guys gave us. I was very interested because I have been thinking about doing or engineering in the future. Thank you for giving us the chance to come, and thank yoa for the t-shirts and water.

Sincerely, Andrew

About National Manufacturing Day

MFG DAY addresses common misperceptions about manufacturing by giving manufacturers an opportunity to open their doors and

show, in a coordinated effort, what manufacturing is — and what it isn't. By working together during and after MFG DAY, manufacturers will begin to address the skilled labor shortage they face, connect with future generations, take charge of the

public image of manufacturing, and ensure the ongoing prosperity of the whole industry. For more information please visit: www.mfgday.com

About Kent Displays

Founded in 1993, Kent Displays is a world leader in the research, development and manufacture of Patented Roll-to-Roll No Power LCDs for unique, sustainable applications. Its flagship product line, Boogie Board eWriters, has redefined writing. These paperless memo pads and note books do not require power to write and retain an image, using only a small amount of battery to erase. Specific writing instruments are not required – even a finger can be used. Millions of Boogie Board eWriters have been sold through a wide variety of retailers around the world. For more information about Kent Displays or Boogie Board eWriters please visit: www.kentdisplays.com or www.myboogieboard.com.



Top, Albert M. Green, CEO, welcomes over 50 guests, including students and faculty, from Stanton Middle School in Kent, Ohio, to celebrate National Manufacturing Day.

Left, students learn about how Boogie Board products are designed

“Educating the next generation of leaders in science, technology and manufacturing is critical for Ohio and the US to thrive in the 21st century,”

...Explains Dr. Albert M. Green, CEO. “National Manufacturing Day gives us the opportunity to promote the diverse opportunities available in a modern-day advanced manufacturing company in Ohio, and spark an interest in the students that can motivate them to explore and excel in the industry.”

Dr. Green also is serving his third term on the US Department of Commerce’s Manufacturing Council, the principal private sector body advising the Secretary of Commerce on US manufacturing.

Top, Hunter Morris, KDI Design Director, highlights innovation in industrial design and product development as students learn about the role of marketing of manufactured goods.

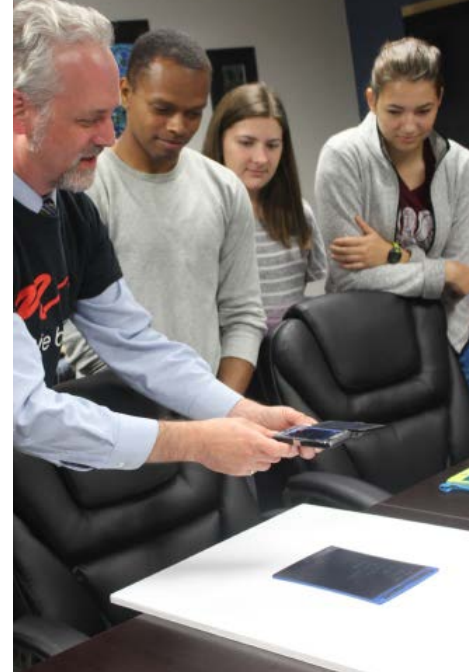
Right, Students try on cleanroom garments in an exercise to learn about the role of cleanrooms in advanced manufacturing of liquid crystal displays.



Kent Displays, Inc., also presented a donation and provided an orientation to the role of engineering in advanced manufacturing to the University of Akron Electronics Club to honor National Manufacturing Day. The students met with Joel C. Domino, President and CFO, and Dr. Albert Green, CEO, as well as staff from our Research & Development, Engineering and Product Development teams, including several University of Akron graduates, to learn about how we integrate electronics engineering and polymer

science into our consumer products, the Boogie Board® line of eWriters.

We were pleased that the University of Akron students were able to join us in our celebration of National Manufacturing Day, and that we were able to provide a hands-on, interactive opportunity for the students to engage with professionals at our company, and learn about internship and career opportunities in Northeast Ohio's advanced manufacturing industry.



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Andrew C.
Student at Stanton Middle School



Photos & Notes



Middle school students learn principles of quality control and measurement in a hands-on activity.

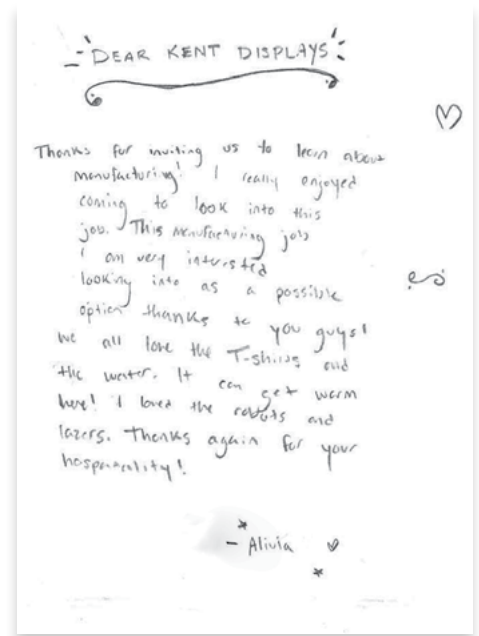


Mauricio Echeverri, PhD, Senior Scientist, demonstrates laboratory equipment to Stanton Middle School students.



KDI Graphic Designer Jaron Barnes speaks with students about the importance of product placement and packaging design.





David Millilo, Business Unit Leader – Commercial Business (on right), leads a discussion on user needs in the education market with teachers from Stanton Middle School and George Joseph, Kent City School District Superintendent (far left).



Duane Marhefka, PhD, KDI Senior Engineer and Principal Investigator (PI) on an NSF-funded KDI research effort, speaks to teachers about the progress of KDI research on digital eWriters for the classroom.