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SEPTEMBER IS “WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT MONTH”
DeKalb Workforce to Host Employment and Training Symposium

Decatur – In support of “**Workforce Development Month**”, DeKalb Workforce Development (DWD), in collaboration with Manpower Staffing, will host its 4th annual “**Workforce Development Day – Employment and Training Symposium**” on Thursday, September 10, 2009 from 9:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. at DeKalb Technical College Conference Center, 495 North Indian Creek Dr., Clarkston, Georgia 30021.

The day will be dedicated to the concept of “*Thinking Globally and Acting Locally*” under DWD’s E³ business strategy: Education, Employment and Economic Development. To support the event, DWD has collaborated with the business community, colleges and universities, school systems, and community partners to actively recruit for 12 “high demand” industries. The “Employment and Training Symposium” promises to be better than the average job fair by providing a new and innovative approach to job search – several job fairs at one location. The targeted high demand industries for this event include energy, infrastructure, healthcare, education, green jobs, engineering, skilled trades, hospitality, finance, management, telecommunication, and information technology. Companies will be on hand to actively recruit for their open positions and inform job seekers about industry forecasted jobs. In addition, training providers will share information on training for these target industries and community partners will share information about their available resources.

Utilizing strategic planning and preparation, DWD’s mission is to bridge the gap between the employer and the well-trained job seeker. DWD believes in self-sufficiency, professional development, life long learning, and the importance of contributing to the economic health of DeKalb County and the State of Georgia. DeKalb Workforce Development provides tactical direction and administration of a workforce development system as well as resources and training dollars to upgrade the skills of workers, job seekers and youth in order to prepare them for future academic and career success.

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