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# National Restaurant Association Show® 2022 to Host 350+ Chicago Public High School Students

High School Visitation Program provides young professionals with the opportunity to explore career paths in foodservice

CHICAGO (April 27, 2022) – The National Restaurant Association Restaurant, Hotel-Motel Show, in collaboration with the Illinois Restaurant Association, will welcome more than 350 students from Chicago Public High Schools and other regional high schools as part of the Show's 2022 High School Visitation Program. With more than 1,500 exhibiting companies and over 100 educational sessions and demos, these young professionals will have the opportunity to explore every facet of the restaurant, foodservice and hospitality industries to identify areas of interest for future career paths. The National Restaurant Association Show is the premier event to learn about foodservice technology innovations, unique ingredients, and emerging trends in the restaurant industry and will take place May 21-24, 2022, at McCormick Place in Chicago.

"We are thrilled to welcome these students, who are eager to explore different careers in foodservice and hospitality, to this year's Show," said Tom Cindric, President of Winsight Exhibitions. "Our High School Visitation Program is designed to give students first-hand experiences with everything our industry has to offer in order to build a future pipeline of foodservice professionals."

The Show's High School Visitation Program was created to cultivate the next generation of foodservices professionals by providing face-to-face interactions and experiences to learn about

all aspects of the industry. Students have pre-registered to attend the Show either Monday, May 23, or Tuesday, May 24 where they will participate in a short orientation program before exploring the Show floor. Students are encouraged to watch celebrated chefs in action as they lead culinary demos, taste award-winning food and beverage products, and learn from industry leaders about what's next in foodservice. Students have the opportunity to connect directly with an array of professionals to further their industry knowledge.

"I participate yearly in the National Restaurant Association Show's High School Visitation Program because it serves as a gateway to the food and beverage industry for our students," said David Fuller, Chef and Chef Instructor for the Chicago Vocational High School, who has been bringing culinary students for the past 18 years. "The Show floor gives our students a comprehensive view of the hospitality business, which inspires them to dream about where they see themselves in the future. Exposure is essential to cultivation and the student participants are the next chefs, food scientists, brand managers, hotel executives, restaurant managers, culinary creatives and food entrepreneurs."

The 2022 High School Program is no longer accepting students for this year's Show. Those interested in participating in future events can send inquiries to programming@winsightmedia.com.

The National Restaurant Association Show brings together more restaurant and hospitality buyers and equipment manufacturers than any other industry event. For more information and to register, visit <u>nationalrestaurantshow.com</u>. Connect with the Show online on <u>Twitter</u>, <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Instagram</u> and <u>LinkedIn</u>.

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