

2930 ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY ACT AMENDMENTS OF 1967

Restaurant Manager, Cleveland Hotel.—"Fred was hired as a bus boy and did an excellent job from the beginning. He was very well trained at the school, was a very good worker. I used him as captain of the bus boys to train the new boys."

Personnel Manager, Aro Corp.—"Richard's basic knowledge of drafting and math are very good. He is well versed in the usage of fractions and micro-finishes pertaining to drafting. There must be some real great instructors at Mahoning Valley Vocational School. I would hire six (6) more of your graduates right now with the same training that Richard has."

Service Manager, Pontiac Garage (southeastern Ohio).—"Conrad was well trained but I would not have hired him without his Mahoning Valley Vocational School diploma."

Foreman, American Standard Machine Co.—"I feel your trainees are very well qualified. I have rated Bob excellent in all categories. I would not usually hire a high school drop out without your type of training."

Personnel Manager, Pease Lumber Co., Inc.—"Richard was clean cut and handled himself well in the interview. He did well on his test. I would not have hired a high school drop out, in fact I would not normally even take an application but I hired him because he had vocational training and a diploma from Mahoning Valley Vocational School."

Local office personnel (OSSES) comments

"When the boys return they look neater and better fed. Getting them away from their family was very good."

"Three Mahoning Valley Vocational School graduates passed the employment test, which is very difficult, at a large local industry, they would never have done so without Mahoning Valley Vocational School."

"I have noticed a difference in my referrals that have graduated. They have politeness, polish, and employer acceptability."

"I'm sold on Mahoning Valley Vocational School, it's really worthwhile and it gets the boys away from their home environment."

"When I visited your school I was very impressed with both the training and the facilities."

"Your school was the start of Job Corps. It initiated the entire Job Corps concept."

"The school did change one of our referrals personality. He was able to meet and talk with people and think for himself and he was incapable of this before. He would not have been able to get and hold his present job without Mahoning Valley Vocational School."

"I have visited your school, my candid reaction: I'm impressed."

"I am highly impressed with the quality of instruction at Mahoning Valley Vocational School. Every boy referred from our area, whether it was terminent or graduate, feels the instructors are terrific."

"Almost all our returning graduates are impressed with your school. Most of them would like to return. Many good comments are made about the instructional staff and no criticism. Some thing you are doing is better than what our local programs are doing because placement is easier and job secured seem to be better. Your school is better equipped because of residence to do more than just training. You can work with personal problems and offer around the clock counseling, therefore your drop out rate is actually less than our local program. Your reputation has gotten around and employers are more ready to hire your graduates than local graduates. You are making headway in making them more socially acceptable. You can help when it is needed because they are there full time. Your school was the fore-runner of Job Corps."

Parent comments

"Mahoning Valley Vocational School was Jack's salvation. It straightened him out."

"Your school is a good thing and there should be more of them. It does things for boys for whom high school has done nothing."

"Mahoning Valley Vocational School gave my son a sense of responsibility. He is now going back to high school."

"Andy learned so much about the rest of the world while he was there. It gave him a better sense of values and of his own worth. I am very enthused over the whole program."

"More boys should take advantage of your school. Education is needed and will be more so."