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WSU Tech at will pay to move people to Wichita and train them to go to work at top aviation companies.

Wichita, Kan. - WSU Tech is providing a new "Wichita Promise Move" scholarship program.

Wichita, KAN - Wichita, the "Air Capital of the World" is experiencing rapid growth in their aviation and manufacturing operations. WSU Tech, the largest technical college in Kansas, is being innovative in producing a workforce that meets their high needs by creating a first of its kind scholarship program titled "Wichita Promise Move". The goal of the Wichita Promise Move is to relocate people who live at least 75 miles outside of the Wichita area to receive training and an employment opportunity at no cost to the student. WSU Tech hopes to attract 25 to 30 people who live outside Kansas and another 25 to 30 people who live in the state but outside a 75-mile radius of Wichita.

"Wichita Promise Move is designed to help break down the barriers that keep individuals from getting trained," said Dr. Charles Hesk, President, WSU Tech. "Whether those barriers are financial, location, time or the fear of failing, we are ready to help anyone get the training they need to get a career and ultimately a better life."

Wichita Promise Move provides for:

- pay tuition and fees for eligible training programs at WSU Tech
- provide certifications and credentials
- provide personal career coaching
- a guaranteed job interview

Among the companies offering guaranteed job interviews to Wichita Promise Move students are Textron Aviation Inc. is the leading aircraft, Cessna and Hawker brands. Spirit AeroSystems, a lon also guarantee interviews to these students. Spirit AeroSystems is one of the largest suppliers for the Boeing Company.

Wichita Promise Move will assist students by

- paying relocation expenses
- providing housing & paying
- offering relocation bonus when hired

provide other optional assistance for these students based on need.

Eligible training programs for the Wichita Promise Move include Aircraft Fabrication Assembly and Process Mechanic Painter. The eligible programs were selected based on the high growth aviation job market with a six to eight weeks.

WSU Tech has a strong track record of delivering instruction that help students receive short-term training that lead them to a career in a high-demand field. April 2016, WSU Tech launched the Wichita Promise scholarship program aimed at assisting residents in the Wichita area.

