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Support the Foundation and its work of investing in our industry's future by training the workforce of today and inspiring the leaders of tomorrow:

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## Early Bird Pricing for Stars of the Future to End December 5



**You're invited:** Join us for [Stars of the Future](#), an inspiring evening hosted by the Hospitality Minnesota Education Foundation (HMEF) celebrating the future of Minnesota's hospitality industry.

- **Why it matters:** Your participation supports HMEF's mission to strengthen Minnesota's hospitality workforce. Funds raised during the event help send ProStart students to the National ProStart Invitational, giving them the opportunity to represent Minnesota and showcase their skills on a national stage.
- **How to participate:** Purchase tickets, sponsor a table, or donate an auction item to make an impact. Together, we can celebrate today's students and invest in tomorrow's hospitality leaders.
- **Yes, and:** Early bird pricing expires on December 5, so get your tickets now!

[Register Here](#)

## Join Us In Welcoming New ProStart and HTM Schools



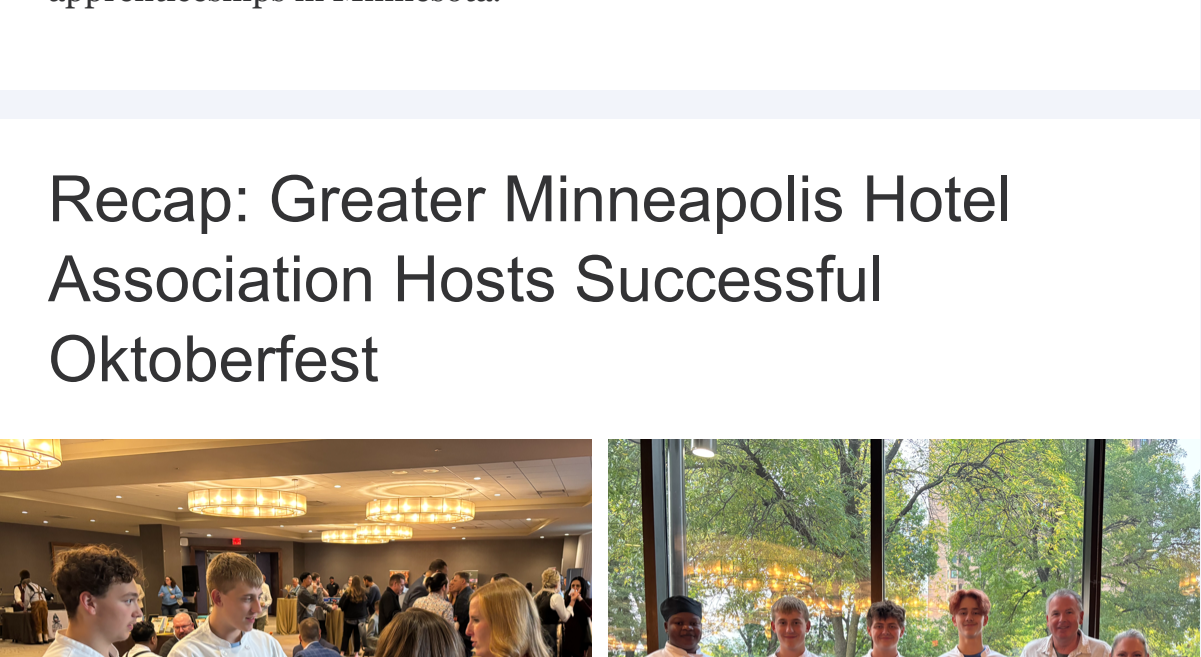
### New 2025-26 School Year ProStart Programs:

- Brooklyn Center High School
- Century High School
- Eden Prairie High School
- John Marshall High School
- Kimball High School
- Litchfield High School
- New Ulm High School
- Rochester CTECH (Career & Technical Education Center)
- Rushford - Peterson High School
- Winona High School
- Wright Academy
- Zumbrota-Mazeppa High School

### New 2025-26 School Year Hospitality Tourism & Management Programs:

- Rockford High School
- Wayzata High School

## Connect with Job Seekers with the Hospitality Hot Jobs Report — November 2025

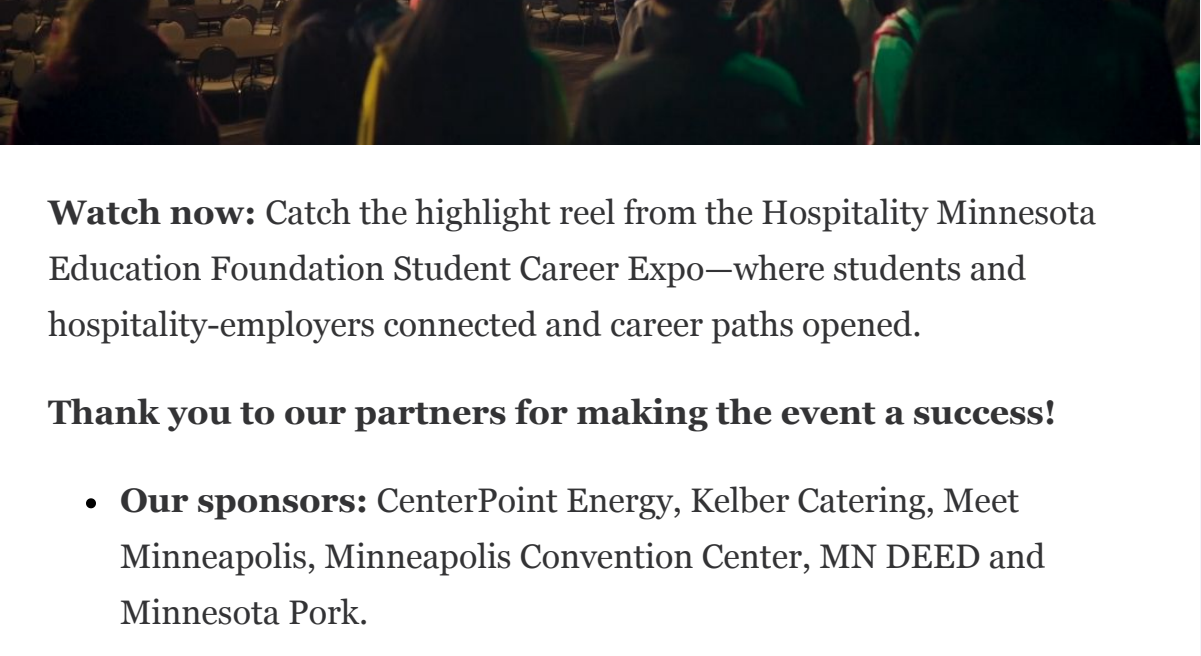


We're helping **connect active job seekers with open jobs** from our member businesses across Minnesota. Each quarter, we share a **Hospitality Jobs Report** with our university and non-profit partners who work directly with job counselors and candidates.

- If you want your **business's open jobs** added to the list — **contact Dillon** at [dillon@hospitalitymn.com](mailto:dillon@hospitalitymn.com)

It's **free**, easy, and a **win-win** for employers and job seekers.

## Employers: Learn about Restaurant Apprenticeships!



**Want to grow and keep your team?** The Restaurant & Hospitality Leadership Center (RHLC) offers restaurants and hospitality developers your staff into future leaders — and boost retention.

- **First step:** Sign up for an informational webinar hosted by the National Restaurant Association Educational Foundation (NRAEF). Hospitality Minnesota can help you navigate the apprenticeship system — for free.

**Sign up:** [NRAEF Virtual Apprenticeship Information Session](#)

- **When:** Wed, Nov 19 at 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM CST

**Questions?** [Contact Dillon](#) to learn how to kick-start culinary apprenticeships in Minnesota.

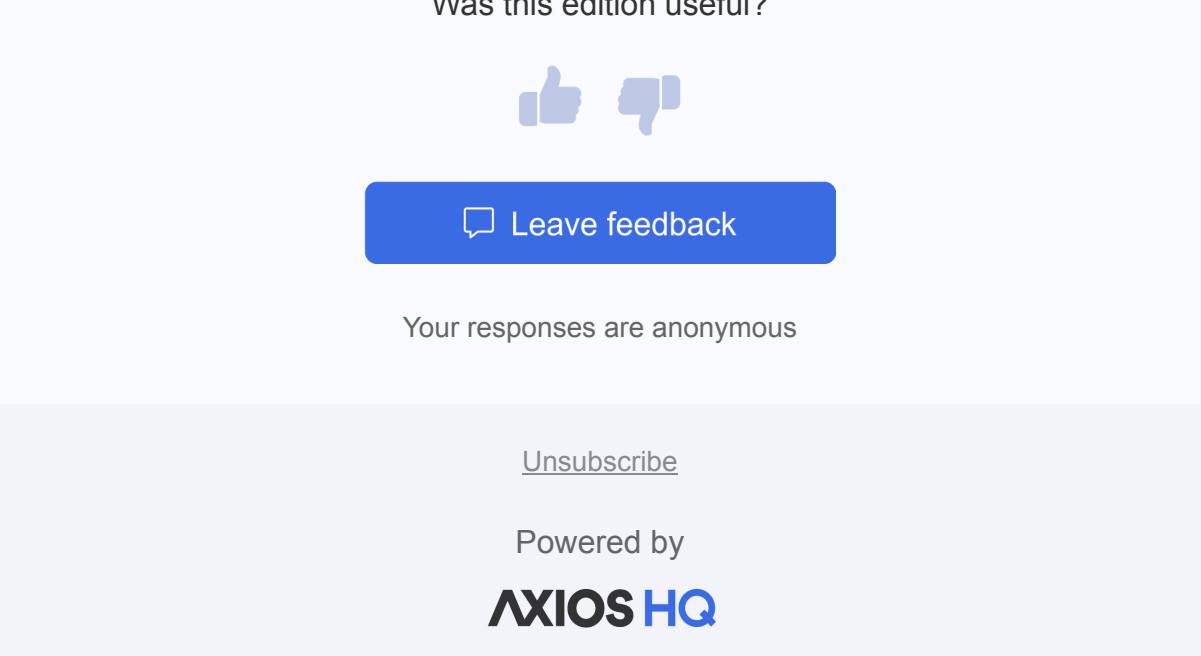
## Recap: Greater Minneapolis Hotel Association Hosts Successful Oktoberfest



**In case you missed it:** Last month, the Greater Minneapolis Hotel Association (GMHA) hosted their annual Oktoberfest fundraiser for HMEF Scholarships. Those who attended helped us meet our scholarship funding goal.

- Our team would like to thank GMHA for organizing the event, and we cannot wait for next year!

## Student Hospitality Career Expo Comes to Minneapolis Convention Center October 21



**Watch now:** Catch the highlight reel from the Hospitality Minnesota Education Foundation Student Career Expo—where students and hospitality-employers connected and career paths opened.

### Thank you to our partners for making the event a success!

- **Our sponsors:** CenterPoint Energy, Kelber Catering, Meet Minneapolis, Minneapolis Convention Center, MN DEED and Minnesota Pork.
- **Our exhibitors:** American Culinary Federation - Minneapolis, BGD Companies, Cargill Foodservice, CenterPoint Energy, Grand View Lodge, Ecolab, Hennepin Technical College, Hilton Rochester Mayo Clinic Area, Hormel, Hyatt Regency Minneapolis, Kelber Catering, Mall of America, Minneapolis Apprenticeship Outreach Office, Minneapolis Marriott City Center, Morrissey Hospitality, Mystic Lake Casino & Hotel, Normandale Community College, Performance Foodservice, Saint Paul College, St. Cloud Technical & Community College, and Treasure Island Resort & Casino.

[Watch the Recap](#)

## ProStart Students Attend Sysco's "Bar & Grill" Food Show



ProStart students from Rogers, Zimmerman, and Shakopee High Schools attended the Sysco "Bar & Grill" Food Show on Tuesday, October 28, at Sysco's Mounds View facility.

- **What they experienced:** Students sampled new products, tasted new recipes, and were paired with chefs to prepare and present the food booths. Teachers appreciated connecting with industry professionals for guest speakers and mentors. Thank you to Chef Nick Meurett and the entire Sysco team!

## Get ServSafe Certified with Food Safety Guy!

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