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### **Starrett donation to West-MEC**

**Glendale, AZ (Sept. 15)** - Starrett donated several thousand dollars worth of precision tools to West-MEC - a public career technical education district - for use in its many industry training programs.

Starrett, which has manufactured precision tools since 1880, is one of the country's top producers. The tools will be used in West-MEC's classrooms and training labs to enhance students' experience and learning. The donation was made possible by West-MEC's partnership with Snap-on Industrial Certification, which in turn partners with Starrett.

With tools such as digital depth micrometers to measure depth of a mechanical part to .00001 of an inch, bore gages to measure inside hole diameters with high accuracy and more, the donation will undoubtedly make for higher-quality instruction and demonstrations in West-MEC labs throughout its campuses.

"We try to keep everything at the industry's level, and this type of tooling is what the students would be using there. So any time we can give the students real-world experiences it is a benefit to their education," said West-MEC industry certification manager Frank Quinn.

"This will give our students the ability to use top-end professional tooling in the industry. That makes a difference."

And, as many construction, tooling and technology companies have been deemed essential businesses during the time of the coronavirus, Starrett has stayed strong in its production and distribution of tools, to the benefit of West-MEC students and staff.

"The company has remained globally operational, with a few exceptions, during the COVID-19 pandemic," said Starrett President and CEO Doug Starrett in a press release. "Our supply chain has not been disrupted to any material extent and we remain well positioned to respond to your needs."

### **About West-MEC:**

**West-MEC is a career technical education public school district that focuses solely on innovative career and technical education (CTE) programs that prepare students to enter the workforce and pursue continuing education. West-MEC CTE programs provide students opportunities to earn college credit and industry credentials. West-MEC serves more than 37,000 students from 48 high schools, across 3,800 square miles in the northern and western cities of the Phoenix Metropolitan area. West-MEC now also offers adult education programs. Visit [www.west-mec.edu](http://www.west-mec.edu) for more information about West-MEC's career-driven education opportunities or follow us on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.**

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