

Cincinnati company to host Girl Scouts for education on careers in Construction

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CINCINNATI — J&D Rack will host Girl Scouts from Western Ohio local troops and lead them through various hands-on activities and demonstrations designed to provide exposure to the many facets of the construction industry.

Through various hands-on activities, Girl Scouts will learn about several construction tasks: loading and operating a track hoe excavator, operating a compactor to achieve suitable subgrade, proper fire extinguisher use, and using a hammer to drive a nail in three swings.

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The event is intended to leave the Girl Scouts with new skills and knowledge that will reveal the path to a future career in construction.

"Only about 10-15% of the construction industry workers are women, and many young women never even consider construction as a potential career path," J&D Rack VP of Operations Stephanie Hall said.

"As a woman in construction and former Girl Scout, I want to show young girls that they can build a successful career in the construction industry. Not only that, but this education helps them develop life skills that will be valuable to any career path and their everyday life."

The event will include various stations to allow Scouts to practice the skills listed above; they will also receive a hard hat and partake in safety education learning sessions.