



## NOTES

WILSON COUNTY INDUSTRY COUNCIL  
Tuesday, Sept. 15, 2022  
Lebanon Airport, Lebanon, TN

### ATTENDING:

Wally Martinez, Rooms to Go	Tom Nelson, PFG
Mike Turturice, Performance Foodservice	Scott Jones, REI
Brenda Martinez, AMAZON	Jon Thompson, Thompson Elec
Freda Herndon, Workforce Essentials	Darlene Story, Journey's DC
Tiffany Phillips, Rutherford Co Schools	Bonnie Holman, Wilson Co Schools
John Brewer, NISSAN	Mae Wright, TCAT
Anthony Miner, Wallenius Wilhelmson	Amy Reese, Vulcan
Matt Spinella, TN Dept of Education	Jake Wisecup, TW Frierson
Jon White, Stansell Electric	Cindy Ashe, CTDI
Brittany Parker, CTDI	Brian Criswell, Tritium
Nate Reed, Rooms to Go	Adina Chumley, Wilson Works

### TOPIC: Partnerships in Work-based Learning

- **John Brewer**, Training & Community Outreach, **NISSAN**
- **Anthony Miner**, Safety, Quality & Sustainability Mgr., **Wallenius Wilhelmson**
- **Tiffany Phillips**, Work-based Learning Facilitator, **Rutherford County Schools**
- **Matt Spinella**, Director WBL & Industry Engagement, **TN Dept of Education**

Anthony Miner and John Brewer explained how Wallenius Wilhelmson and NISSAN collaborated to create a work-based learning program that is engaging and employing high school students for career pathways in manufacturing and supply chain. They explained how they overcame obstacles and worked with Rutherford County Schools and the TN Department of Education & Labor to provide opportunities to students as young as 16 years old. These programs are legal in Tennessee, and provide exposure to early talent pipelines.

All of these pros have offered support and advice to other employers looking for effective ways overcome corporate barriers and launch a program for this early talent exposure.

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- **Next Meeting: Wednesday., October 19, 8:00 AM, Networking. Program: 8:15AM**