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## Clark Associates Companies Recognizes 138 Summer Interns

## For Immediate Release

(Lancaster, PA) – Clark Associates, Inc. is pleased to recognize its 138 interns who participated in the 2023 Clark Intern Summer Program. With participating students from colleges and universities all over the country, the program allowed young professionals to gain experience in a variety of business environments.

This summer, students from 59 different colleges, universities, and tech schools came together to work at Clark Associates, including Yale, Carnegie Mellon University, High Point University, Penn State University, University of Pittsburgh, Liberty University, Grove City College, Elizabethtown College, Lancaster Bible College, Lebanon Valley College, Messiah University, Shippensburg University, Temple University, West Chester University, and York College.

Their internships allowed them to gain experience in Clark's equipment, distribution, development, brick-and-click, e-commerce division, and more! Additionally, Clark's intern program allowed students to learn more about food service, equipment, supplies, manufacturing, and distribution. Students also had the opportunity to grow in soft skills such as effective communication skills, teamwork, adaptability, personal development, and many other areas!

To encourage them to learn more about the company and what they might be looking for in a profession, the interns took part in job shadowing opportunities across the company, DiSC personality training, and a roundtable business discussion (among other professional development sessions). Students also took part in a special group discussion led by Fred Clark about learning how to dream, the difference between dreams and goals, and how to create a recipe for success. Students were also able to participate in a volunteer day within the Lancaster area.















Students had the opportunity to participate in events either in person or virtually. At the end of the summer, the interns presented their accomplishments before peers, managers, and the executive leadership team.

Clark currently has an Ambassador Program that is comprised of alumni from 15 various colleges, universities, and tech schools, including, Lebanon Valley College, Millersville, Penn State, and Elizabethtown College. This program encourages current Clark employees to maintain relationships with their alma maters and it provides opportunities for them to engage with current students.

As a result of this internship experience, several summer interns have accepted an extension of their internship for the fall semester, or they have accepted full-time offers upon graduation. The goal of Clark Associates, Inc. summer internship is to set our interns up for success when they leave Clark. Our interns leave with education on both professional and personal development for their future professional careers.

## **About Clark Associates**

Clark Associates is a privately held company headquartered in Lancaster, PA and has been recognized as one of Central Pennsylvania's fastest growing companies as well as Foodservice Equipment & Supplies magazine's 2015 Dealer of the Year.

Employing nearly 7,000 people, Clark's multiple divisions and branches in distribution, sales, and technology serve a variety of commercial foodservice customers nationwide. For more information on our business and history, please visit www.clarkinc.biz.









