

JACOB — WIOA Out-of-School Youth

At just 19 years old, Jacob is already paving a path toward a successful and fulfilling career. A dedicated and hardworking farm hand at Hilhof Farms, Jacob had a clear goal in mind: to earn his commercial driver's license and expand his opportunities in the agricultural industry he's passionate about.

Recognizing the importance of formal training and licensure, Jacob reached out to Michigan Works! West Central for guidance and support. The team at Michigan Works! saw his drive and commitment, and they stepped in to help Jacob turn his ambition into reality.

With their assistance, Jacob enrolled in the CDL program at Mid-Michigan College, where he gained the skills and certification necessary to take on new responsibilities in the field. Through this program, Jacob not only learned to safely operate commercial vehicles, but also gained the confidence and credentials to become a more valuable asset to his team.

Jacob now plans to advance his role at Hilhof Farms, using his CDL to take on greater challenges and contribute even more to the farm's daily operations and long-term success.



Jacob is proof that with determination, community support and access to the right resources, young individ-

uals can build strong foundations for lifelong careers.