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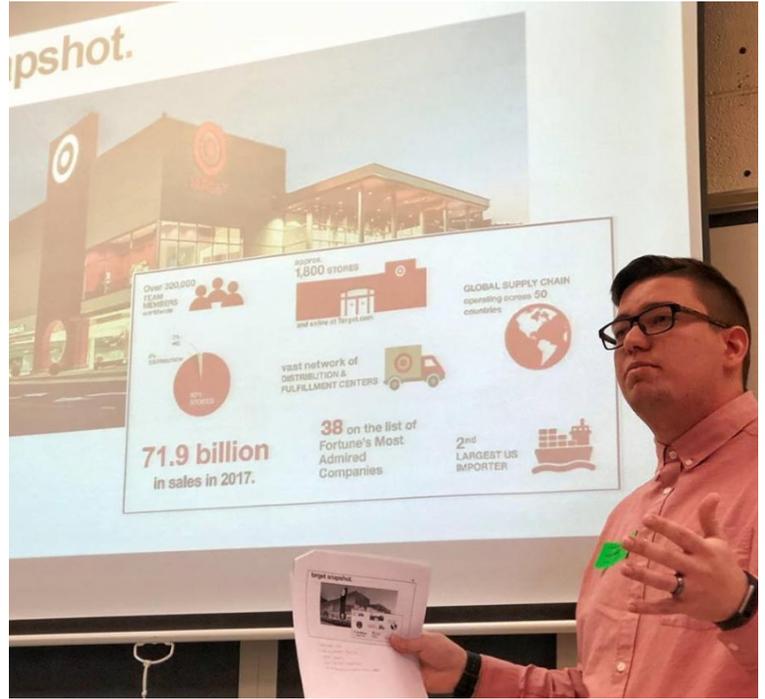
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Target and Suffolk Schools Launch Workforce Development Partnership

SUFFOLK, Virginia (November 7, 2018) – A workforce that is well educated, skilled and motivated is one of the most important ingredients to a strong local economy. In Suffolk, a new partnership has been formed by the Target Upstream Distribution Center and Suffolk Public Schools. This school-to-work partnership will provide opportunities for career paths in logistics as well as connecting the importance of workplace readiness skills to long-term professional success.

The **Target Upstream Distribution Center** operates in over 1,800,000 square feet of space in Suffolk, and sees this new exciting partnership as another way to connect with the community as well as a way to develop a pipeline for future employees. The new program will collaborate specifically with career and technical education students at Suffolk's Lakeland High School and incorporate the Commonwealth's Career Readiness Initiative principles. A select group of 28 students, aged 17 to 18, will participate in the initial fall program that will feature three separate classes and include a tour of the Target Upstream Distribution Center. The program will be replicated this spring and will provide opportunities for a new set of students.



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