

**For Immediate Release**

**Clark Associates Companies Recognizes 51 Summer Interns**

(Lancaster, PA) – Clark Associates, Inc. is pleased to recognize its 51 interns who participated in the 2020 Clark Intern Summer Program. Employing college students in Clark’s Central Pennsylvania, Tampa, Florida, and Albany, Georgia divisions, the program allowed young professionals to gain experience in a variety of business environments.

This summer, students from 32 different colleges, universities, and tech schools came together to work at Clark. The intern program positioned interns in Clark’s equipment, distribution, development, brick and click, and e-commerce divisions according to their interests and studies. Participants were able to learn technical skills in accounting, distribution, logistics, operations, content creation, print marketing, purchasing, and customer service. Additionally, Clark’s intern program also provided students with the chance to learn more about the food equipment and service industry, as well as develop important soft skills such as effective communication skills, teamwork, adaptability, and more.

To encourage them to learn more about the company and what they might look for in a profession, the interns took part in job shadowing opportunities across the company, DiSC personality training, a group discussion on building your personal brand with CEO Gene Clark, and small group roundtable business discussions (among other professional development sessions). They also participated in a day of volunteering within the Lancaster area to help after the impact of COVID-19. At the end of the summer, the interns presented their accomplishments before peers, managers, and the executive leadership team.

As a result of this experience, several summer interns have extended their internship into the upcoming school year and others have already accepted full time job offers after they graduate. Through the summer program, the goal is to set all interns up for success when they leave Clark. Our interns leave with education on both professional and personal development for their future professional careers.

Interns also had the option to give input towards Clark’s recruiting efforts. Clark currently has around 25 active employee teams that are comprised of alumni from various colleges, universities, and technical schools. The Ambassador Program encourages these teams to create and maintain connections with school staff and current students. Members participate in on-campus events and actively share about the Clark brand and its many opportunities for those seeking internships or employment.

**About Clark Associates:**

Based in Lancaster, Clark Associates, Inc. is a large multi-divisional company supporting the food service industry. We distribute over 330,000 products through our regional chain of stores, The Restaurant Store, and nationwide through the industry’s largest e-commerce company, WEBstaurantstore.com. Our design/build division completes large-scale foodservice renovations and constructions projects throughout the east coast. Visit our web pages to learn more about all of our companies: [www.clarkinc.biz](http://www.clarkinc.biz). Want to apply? Check out our Career’s Page: <https://www.clarkassociatesinc.biz/careers/>.