What a great feeling it was to see how excited our students were when the Stanley DeWALT Tool Grant showed up at our school! It was like Christmas in June! With approximately 900 students in our school and the bulk of them in Vocational programming, we divided all the tools up among our programs, including our Metal Fabrication program, Auto, Graphics, and Building Construction. The commonality of the interchangeable batteries is a plus. We love using the cordless drills in our Metal Fabrication program, as there was always a wait for the two that we had before. The cordless grinders are fantastic also, as we can now get to places we had a hard time with before due to the cords. We were in need of a shop vacuum, and now we don't have to borrow one from another program.

We at Murdoch truly believe that students learn best when they can apply the skills they have learned in a practical sense, not just reading and observing, but actually doing the work with hands on experience. Students are always excited to use newer equipment, and there was a lot of it included in the grant.

We would like to thank you for the opportunity to help students get exposed to not just more, but newer and top of the line equipment.

Thank you once again,

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