IFB Beat

Accessible Version

January 18, 2022

News to Know

Last week, the U.S. Supreme Court rejected the Biden Administration's plan to require employers with more than 100 workers test all unvaccinated employees every week.

At this time, IFB will not require weekly COVID-19 testing in response to the Court's decision.

As we've told you previously, the Federal vaccine mandate is still being challenged in the court system. So, until the courts announce a decision whether or not to enforce vaccines for federal contractors, IFB will not require vaccines. When the court makes a decision, we will let you know.

In the meantime, the Coronavirus Response Team strongly encourages the following to keep our staff safe:

- Get vaccinated and your booster. This is your best protection against severe illness and hospitalization.
- Wear your mask or face covering.
- Don't come to work if you are sick.
- Talk to our medical team if you have questions about COVID-19.

Thank you for being flexible, understanding, and professional as we, like thousands of businesses across the country, do our best to keep you safe and abide by the requirements of the federal government.

-IFB Solutions Coronavirus Response Team

Questions? Email staysafe@ifbsolutions.org

Winston-Salem Manufacturing

To remain on the current production schedule, manufacturing employees will work on Friday, January 21. If you have any questions, please contact your supervisor.

Hourly Employee: Handbook

A friendly reminder to all hourly employees: The hourly employee handbook has been revised and uploaded into Paycom. Please be sure to go into your Paycom portal and review and check off/acknowledge receipt. The file is titled "IFB Solutions Handbook Hourly – 01.01.2022". If you need any assistance accessing your Paycom portal, please ask your supervisor to submit a ticket to HR and they will schedule an appointment with you.

IFB Solutions - Roar Winston Salem

Roar is opening their doors to raise money for some of Winston-Salem's most beloved charities and we are on the list! There are 200 tickets available for each charity. Each ticket is \$50 and comes with two free beverages and an hour of Boutique Bowling or an hour on the Virtual Golf Simulator. Tickets can be used Sunday – Thursday and are valid up to 6 months. Roar is located at 633 North Liberty Street, Winston-Salem, NC 27101. Purchase tickets <u>here</u> and then make your reservation by emailing, info@roarws.com. All proceeds benefit programs and services.

Tickets are limited, so purchase today!



Winston-Salem Cafeteria Update

Communicating the Menu: We understand it is hard to hear the menu over the speakers. Almost everyone who took the cafeteria survey wanted an easy-to-read menu that is accessible. A phone-line has been provided for your convenience. Now you can call 336-759-0551, ext. 5709 to listen to the weekly menu or stop by the Employee Information Wall to read the menu options. *Due to supply chain issues, the menu could change at the last minute, but we will do our best to stick to the script!

Programs and Services

Winston-Salem Braille Classes

Would you like to learn Braille or brush up on your Braille skills?

• Come to a meeting in Tad's room on Tuesday, January 25, 2022 at 5 PM for more information. Be ready to share what you want to learn or practice in Braille class. Call Kim Flanagan with any questions at 336-245-5669.

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Awareness = Braille + Chocolate

(Winston-Salem ONLY) Send a message in Braille and large print attached to a piece of chocolate for \$2 to promote Braille awareness on Valentine's Day. Submit your note (no more than 2 typed lines) to Anastasia Powell at <u>apowell@ifbsolutions.org</u> or Kim Flanagan at <u>kflanagan@ifbsolutions.org</u> by February 1. It could be an "I love you" to that special someone or a "thank you".

All money is due to Anastasia or Kim by February 1. Chocolates with messages will be given out on Monday, February 14. All the money will go to the Student Enrichment Experience (S.E.E.) Program for the kids. We \heartsuit Braille!

Adult Support Group Meetings:

- Tuesday, January 18 VIPS Club meeting from 12:00-1:00 in TADS Room.
- Wednesday, January 19 Diabetic support group meeting from 12:00-12:45 in TADS Room.
- Thursday, January 20 Assistive technology support group meeting from 7:00-8:00 via Zoom.

Community Low Vision Center

CLVC Item of the Week:

12 Piece Measuring Set with Cups and Spoons - \$11.95. Set includes cups - 6 sizes, from 1/4 to one cup size and spoons - 6 sizes from 1/8 of teaspoonful, to one tablespoon. Ideal for those with low vision, these measuring tools have clear white letters and numbers on a dark background. Handles allow for a strong, comfortable grip. Designed for right- and left-hand use.

January item of the month: Jumbo and Giant Print 2022 Calendar - \$7.95 and up.

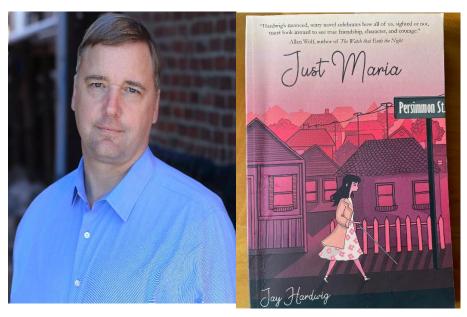
If you are interested in purchasing Low Vision Equipment through our Loan Program (3rd Party), please contact a Low Vision Coordinator for assistance.

Community Connections

Congrats to S.E.E. Program's Jay Hardwig

His first book, *Just Maria* was released this month. It is based on his expertise working with children who are blind. Maria is a 12-year-old

girl who is blind. She really wants to be known for what she does, not for her disability. The middle-grades novel centers on her friendship with her neighbor JJ, the school eccentric, who challenges her to stretch herself by doing a few decidedly different things in public so she can prove her merit. If she proves worthy, she and JJ can join the Twinnoggin Detective Agency (which JJ imagines) and solve local mysteries. Learn more: jayhardwig.com.



Listen to the ACB Media Network

The January 2022 Braille Forum is now airing on ACB Media 10 every two hours on the even numbered hours, Eastern time. Spread the word to friends and family!

Watch here: https://www.acbmedia.org/media10/

Do you have an Alexa?

You can access the Braille Forum by simply saying "Alexa, ask ACB Media to play Media 10."

The January 2022 Braille Forum is also available via podcast: https://www.acbmedia.org/category/forum/

Opportunities

We are HeRe for you!

Happy New Year Everyone! Now is the perfect time to envision what you want your 2022 to look like! It is a new year, a fresh start to pursue anything that you choose! Whether you want to work towards becoming employee of the month, learning new skills for your job, reaching financial security, focus on mental health, joining a new support group, taking up a new hobby, or all the above! The sky's the limit! Let us know how we can partner with you to assist you with achieving those goals of 2022! Please see Haleigh Yarboro, our Certified HR Transition Representative for more information.

Job Announcements

Senior Receiving Clerk- Clemons DC

Education and work experience:

- High School Diploma or GED equivalent
- Valid North Carolina Driver's License
- Good driving record
- Minimum of 2-3 years' experience in manufacturing environment

Internal candidates may apply here.

External candidates may apply <u>Here</u>.

Optometric/Optical technician

Education and work experience:

• High School Diploma/GED Equivalent

- Min 1-2 years' experience working in Optometry required
- Experience in a MEDICAL eyecare setting such as ophthalmology or some private practices preferred
- Experience working with eyeglasses in a sales environment preferred, but not required
- Revolution EMR experience preferred, but not required

External candidates may apply here.

Internal candidates may apply here.

Please contact Brent Burkholder at X5611 if you have any questions or need assistance.

Join Zoom Meeting (Adult Support Groups)

https://ifbsolutions.zoom.us/j/99498078576?pwd=ODJzK0sxcXZrME9y N25YRTdiNXBSQT09

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