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A Case for Networking



I am a Heavy Equipment Technician in my second year apprenticeship. It took a little while to find an employer but I checked lots of websites, the YMCA and did a lot of networking.

I had some previous work experience and had taken a power train and chassis course in high school. My interest in the skilled trades may have been influenced by my Dad, who was an electrical technician with CNCP, AT&T and Allstream.

As long as you are willing to work hard and really want to learn, you will have a good relationship with your employer. And if the employer is transparent in their dealings with you, it will inspire a sense of loyalty on your part.

For someone who is having difficulty finding an employer, I would say just keep on trying and don't give up. Have a professional look over your resume and network with everyone you can.

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