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Jeremy Parker

Like so many eighteen year olds, Jeremy Parker began his college career at a four-year university with plans of becoming a teacher. Two and half years and two colleges later, Jeremy found himself without any real idea of what he wanted to do.

Jeremy decided to take a term off from school and work on the family farm. His family had been encouraging him to attend Blue Mountain Community College and pursue a career in diesel technology and, after working for his family for a few months, he decided to give it a try.

Having had some experience with fixing equipment on the family farm, Jeremy found his diesel classes at BMCC to be extremely interesting and enjoyable. He began to actually like school and found something he could be successful at.



After his first year of classes, Jeremy took a summer job with Hale's Farms in Echo where he worked on farm machinery and helped with grass harvest. His employer encouraged him to continue his education and asked that he come to work for them full-time once he had received his degree.

Jeremy graduated from BMCC in the spring of 2010 with an associate's degree in Diesel

Technology, and immediately following graduation, he began work for Hale's Farms as a full-time employee. This job provides him with a living wage and full benefits. He understands how fortunate he is to have a job during these tough economic times and feels that his degree from BMCC is the key to providing him with a secure future.