



RDA Automotive Technology, Program of Excellence

On Thursday, November 17th, 37 students from R.D. Anderson job shadowed and toured two Spartanburg car dealerships, Wakefield Buick and Vic Bailey Volkswagen, as well as the Automotive Program at Spartanburg Community College. The students represented the Automotive Collision Repair and the Automotive Technician programs.

They had the opportunity to go behind the scenes and observe specific jobs such as a collision repair estimator, a collision repair technician, a paint refinisher, an automotive technician, and various management positions. Dealership owners also spoke to the group about the importance of customer service and communication skills. The tour was sponsored by the SC Automobile Dealers Association and the office of the Upstate Regional Career Specialist. The tour concluded with lunch at the Spartanburg Renaissance Marriott, where SCADA presented Ms. Yarborough with two Resusci Anne mannequins and a \$ 10,000 classroom grant.

