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R.I.S.E. graduates!**



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Its time to celebrate! At the end of the Spring 2026 semester three R.I.S.E. students earned their associate's degree in Construction Management! Congratulations to:

**Abraham Garcia**

**Jacob Hunter**

**Frankie Lozoya**

Two R.I.S.E. students also earned their Apprenticeship Certificate and are now Journeyman roofers! Congratulations to **Matthew Werther** and **Robert Castilla**.

We are so proud that all of our graduates have decided to continue on their educational journey with R.I.S.E. Each of our construction management graduates will continue on to pursue their bachelor's degree in organizational supervision.

Our journeyman will both enroll in the construction management associates degree program.



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R.I.S.E. is more than earning a degree, **Abraham** says *“the most rewarding part of joining the R.I.S.E program other than earning my degree has been learning how to manage both work and school at the same time. Knowing that with discipline and consistency I was able to do both. Throughout my time in the R.I.S.E program I have been able to learn both on and off the roof. Which has been the most rewarding part of it all, being able to be hands on with the work while also learning from the books has allowed me to gain so much experience. Which in my opinion, is the most rewarding part of it all!”*

R.I.S.E. is designed to help students build their career path towards construction management while working and gaining hands on work experience. **Jacob** believes *“the most rewarding part of the R.I.S.E. program was the opportunity to continue my education while working full time, helping prepare me for the next step in my career.”* We are happy to hear that R.I.S.E. is working for these graduates.