

## Reflection 2

Reflecting on my 100 hours at Brooks Crossing Innovation Lab, I feel incredibly grateful for the experiences and skills I've gained. Over the past 50 hours, I've had the opportunity to work with diverse groups, helping them explore their creativity through different projects. One of the most exciting activities was assisting an adult group in making custom keychains from their drawings. I guided them through uploading their designs to the computer and then saw them come to life through the laser cutting machine. I also had the pleasure of participating in a family makerspace workshop, where we helped families turn photos into puzzles. The process involved using design software to transform the image, printing it on Birch wood with a UV printer, and cutting it into pieces with the laser machine.

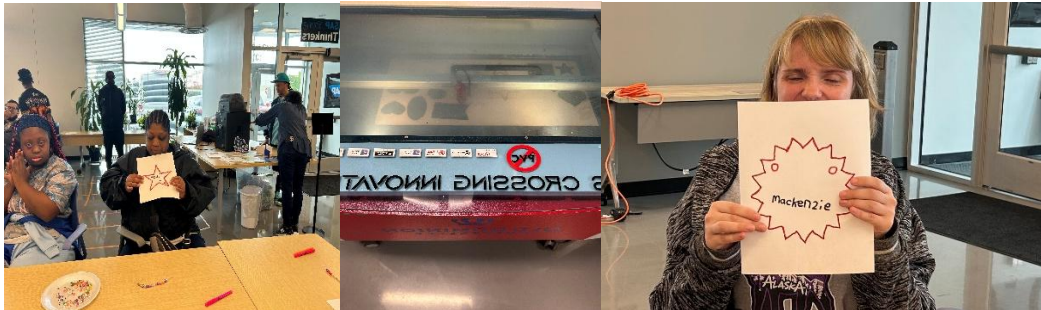
Working with a sixth-grade class was another highlight, where they designed and had phone holders laser-cut. It was amazing to see their designs take shape through the laser cutter. Additionally, after some technical challenges, I was able to finally cut the coasters I had previously designed. Another fun project was making custom stickers with the Cricut machine, which I proudly placed on my laptop.

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This internship has allowed me to hone my creativity and technical skills, and I've learned so much in just 100 hours. I look forward to continuing to explore new opportunities, learning from the team, and contributing to more exciting projects.

### Photos From the Past 50 Hours

Adult Group Home Making Keychains



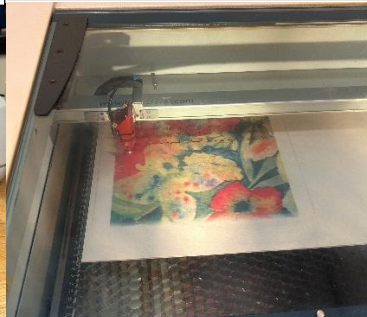
6<sup>th</sup> Grade Class Making Keychains



Stickers Made with Cricut



Puzzle Made at Makerspace



ODU Coaster



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