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**McDonald's is looking to add over 18,000 jobs in Florida for the summer season. New wages start at \$15/hr for Management Positions in Destin\*!**



*DESTIN, FL (JUNE 1, 2018)*... McDonald's is hiring and making people a top priority!

The 100 days of summer is kicked off with Memorial Day weekend and McDonald's is looking to add over 18,000 jobs in Florida for the summer season. **The company has also recently tripled its investment into the Archways to Opportunity education program and will allocate \$150 million over a five-year period.**

The Archways to Opportunity program consists of free Career Online High School and college advisory services to its employees and now their family members. Tuition assistance has increased to \$2500 per year, up from \$700, for eligible crew members and \$3000 per year, up from \$1050, for eligible managers. Eligibility requirements were lowered from nine months to 90 days of employment. Additionally, the minimum hour requirement to work each week dropped from 20 hours to 15 hours to enable restaurant employees more time to focus on studies.

In high tourist markets like Destin and Panama City Beach, where the hospitality and food industries are all hiring, McDonald's is making a statement as to why working with them is a wise choice. Local franchise organization, Costa Enterprises, who owns 20 restaurants from Navarre to Port St. Joe, and Crestview to Destin and Panama City Beach, is looking to hire 200 more employees. "Our vision is to create an experience beyond expectations for each and every customer. Having the best people working for us is the key to making that vision a reality every day," said Steven Killebrew, one of the Owner/Operators in this family run company. "McDonald's is a great company to work for providing great benefits, flexible schedules, and clear career path to meet the needs of its employees."

\*Costa Enterprises is offering a starting wage between \$11-\$12.50 for crew members and \$15.00 for managers with anytime availability in the Destin market. If you are interested in applying at any one of the Costa Enterprises restaurants, visit their website at [careers.costamcd.com](http://careers.costamcd.com).

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#### **About Costa Enterprises McDonald's**

The owners, managers and crew members of David Costa Enterprises are dedicated to making your McDonald's visit a memory special experience. Operating 20 McDonald's restaurants throughout Northwest Florida, Costa Enterprises is committed to community involvement, equal opportunity employment, customer service excellence, fast service and hot fresh food. For the latest news and information, visit [costamcd.com](http://costamcd.com) or [facebook.com/costamcd](https://facebook.com/costamcd).

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