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MVCTC Recognizes Constitution Day

Clayton, Ohio – Miami Valley Career Technology Center (MVCTC) academic instructors recognized Thursday, September 17, 2009, as "Constitution Day and Citizenship Day." As written in the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2005, the purpose of the day is to honor and celebrate the privileges and responsibilities of U.S. citizenship for both native-born and naturalized citizens while commemorating the creation and signing of the supreme law of our land. Public Law 108-477 requires all schools that receive federal funds, which includes MVCTC, to hold an educational program for its students.

MVCTC English 3 and Social Studies 4 instructors recognized this special day with lessons to highlight the value of the United States Constitution. Examples include, Jeannine Geise, English 3 instructor, worked with her students on a project about censorship and freedom of speech. Students were to infer why picture books have been censored, research the censorship incident, then write two persuasive letters (one in favor of censorship and one opposed). Brad Hammontree, English 3 instructor, worked with his students to analyze the Preamble to the Constitution for the promises made for all citizens. English teachers Sandy Hartley, Beth Hughes, Jon Hulett, and Lisa Werbrich, studied the Iroquois Constitution, a precursor to the US Constitution. While Tiffany Minton and Jillian Tegtmeyer had, their students consider hip-hop music, censorship, and First Amendment rights.

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