

## Miami Valley Career Technology Center Press Release

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## **MVCTC Legal Assistant Students Visit Montgomery Courts**

**Dayton, Ohio –** The Miami Valley Career Technology Center (MVCTC) junior Legal Assisting students recently visited the Montgomery County Common Pleas Courts. It was a very eventful day. Not only did the students gain knowledge of courtroom procedures by sitting in on Judge Gorman's Docket, they also heard about the probation process through Montgomery County Courts. Three inmates spoke to the students and shared their life stories as well as their future through the rehabilitation program to return to society as a better person/citizen.

After this experience at the Court, students then visited the end result of a case by touring the Montgomery County Jail. It came full circle when students witnessed an incident in which the Judge sentenced a person to jail from the courtroom and then saw the same person being booked and finger printed into jail. The students received a great tour from a former MVCTC graduate and learned of the different levels of inmates within the jail. It was a great day where experiences and first-hand knowledge was so beneficial.

MVCTC Legal Assistant instructor, Mrs. Kelly Haws said of the trip, ""All legal assistants, dressed in their professional business attire, exhibited a strong desire to learn more about the legal justice system both in the courtroom and in the jail."

A student in the MVCTC Legal Assistant Program will learn highly skilled training such as office technology, law office procedures, legal terminology, accounting, and records management for an in demand career field. After completing the two-year program, students would be able to pursue a career as a legal assistant, judicial assistant, court system clerk, court runner, insurance office support, and with additional education may be able to become a paralegal or even an attorney. The Legal Assisting program at MVCTC is a Tech Prep. program, which means all students meeting specific criteria may be eligible for college credit and scholarship money towards Sinclair Community College. For more information about the Legal Assistant Program or any of the other exciting career programs offered at MVCTC, please visit www.mvctc.com.

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Photo: MVCTC Legal Assistant juniors visited the Montgomery County Common Pleas Courts. BACK ROW - Amber Pullen (Trotwood); Paige Allen (Northridge); Madison Murray (Trotwood); Kortney Jones (Jefferson); Corin Knight (Milton Union); Ashley King (Brookville); Ashley Knight (Arcanum); and Sydney Anders (New Lebanon)

## FRONT ROW:

Nicky Evans (National Trail); Megan Heck (National Trail); Jenna Parrett (Northmont); Karissa Brickles (Northmont); Kara Mackie (Twin Valley South); Taylar Pack (Brookville); and Chris Hursh (Northmont)