

Miami Valley Career Technology Center Press Release

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Local Entrepreneurship Foundation Tours MVCTC

Clayton, Ohio - The Communications Manager, Jean Webster, for Aileron of Tipp City visited the Miami Valley Career Technology Center (MVCTC) on February 8, 2012. Ms. Webster toured campus with MVCTC Superintendent, Dr. John Boggess, and MVCTC Board of Education member Mr. Bruce Clapp (Northmont). She learned more about what MVCTC offers high school and adult students and had the chance to speak with Mrs. Mandy Watts, instructor for the new Business Ownership program at MVCTC.

Aileron is a local foundation created by Clay Mathile to help private business owners find success. According to the Aileron website, "Aileron helps private business owners understand where they want to go and apply sound business practices to help them get there. Aileron is an operating foundation that focuses on the development of privately held business as a way to raise the quality of life for many." To learn more about Aileron, visit www.aileron.org.

The MVCTC Business Ownership program started two years ago as the first program in the state of Ohio to implement the new Entrepreneurship Pathway for high school students. The program allows high school juniors and seniors to research and write a business plan for an actual business they hope to start. MVCTC works with Sinclair Community College and FirstDay Credit Union to provide students the opportunities and training necessary to start their own business. Students in the program work through 20 modules on topics such as career planning, personal money management, taxes, e-commerce, communication, and accounting. This program, like a majority of career tech pathways at MVCTC, offers all high school students that meet the requirements the opportunity to earn a \$3,000 scholarship and college credit to Sinclair Community College. The Business Ownership program gives students firsthand

experience and college opportunities so when they leave high school they are both college and career ready.

Applications for the 2012-13 school year are being accepted now. To learn more, visit www.mvctc.com/futurestudents.

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Photo: MVCTC Superintendent, Dr. John Boggess, shares the commitment MVCTC has made to job training in the Miami Valley with Ms. Jean Webster, Communications Manager with Aileron, and Mr. Bruce Clapp, MVCTC Board of Education member from Northmont.