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Representative Buchy Sees First Hand the Value of Career Technical Education at MVCTC

Clayton, Ohio – Representative Jim Buchy, visited the Miami Valley Career Technology Center (MVCTC) campus on Monday, March 8, 2013, to tour the campus and meet with students and staff. Representative Buchy had the opportunity to visit the MVCTC Computer Technology Academy – GIS and Technical Intelligence Program, Cosmetology, Business Ownership, Biotechnology, Computer Network Engineering, Precision Machining, Robotics, and Aviation Maintenance Technician Program.

The MVCTC district encompasses a majority of the Darke County schools, including Ansonia, Arcanum, Franklin Monroe, Mississinawa Valley, Tri Village, and Versailles. Over the past five year, over 2,000 Darke County high school students have received educational services from MVCTC. This includes the MVCTC Satellite Agriculture programs at Mississinawa Valley and Tri-Village high schools. MVCTC also offers adult education practical nursing classes in a partnership with the Brethren Retirement Community in Greenville.

Career Technical Education (CTE) encompasses 94 percent of high school students and 13 million postsecondary students in the United States and includes high schools, career centers, community and technical colleges, four-year universities and more. CTE is a major part of the solution to many national economic and workforce problems, such as high school dropout rates, a weakened economy, global competitiveness and massive layoffs. According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, nearly one-third of the fastest growing occupations will require an associate’s degree or a postsecondary vocational certificate. At a time when job opportunity is so critical, CTE programs in every community are ensuring students are adequately equipped with the skills to successfully enter the workforce.

For more information about MVCTC, please visit www.mvctc.com.

For over 40-years, MVCTC has been providing career technical education for 27 partner school districts encompassing five counties in Southwest Ohio. MVCTC is dedicated to providing in-demand workforce training for youth, adults, and organizations in the Miami Valley.

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Representative Buchy is speaking with MVCTC Aviation Maintenance Technician senior, Austin Herman (Northmont). Austin will graduate from MVCTC with his High School Diploma, FAA Airframe and Powerplant Certification, and is working on completing his Associate's Degree while still in high school through an agreement with MVCTC and Eastern New Mexico University.