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MVCTC Dental Assistant Program has Stellar Year

Clayton, Ohio – Students in the Miami Valley Career Technology Center (MVCTC) Dental Assistant Program ended the 2012-2013 school year strong. Several seniors took the state certification test to earn their Certified Ohio Dental Assistant (CODA) License, and 18 Dental juniors and seniors placed in State SkillsUSA Contests, some qualifying to compete at the National SkillsUSA Contest in June.

The State SkillsUSA winners from Dental Assistant included:

- **Curtis Wilson**, Dental Assistant student from Arcanum, 2nd Place Dental Assisting Contest
- **Cara Mikesell**, Dental Assistant student from Tri-Village, 3rd Place Job Skill Demo
- **Opening & Closing Junior Team – Gold Medal (1st Place)**
 - **Allie Ashworth**, Dental Assistant student from Arcanum
 - **Sydney Bussard**, Dental Assistant student from Tri-County North
 - **Tiajza Dechant**, Dental Assistant student from West Carrollton
 - **Jenna Duff**, Dental Assistant student from Milton Union
 - **Kelsey Ehlers**, Dental Assistant student from Wayne
 - **Kourtney Engle**, Dental Assistant student from Tri-County North
 - **Taylor Parker**, Dental Assistant student from Arcanum
 - **Kennedy Tarrance**, Dental Assistant student from Vandalia
- **Opening & Closing Senior Team – Silver Medal (2nd Place)**
 - **Cayla Hartley**, Dental Assistant student from Twin Valley South
 - **Brie Henderson**, Dental Assistant student from Trotwood
 - **Jessica Jacoby**, Dental Assistant student from Tri-County North
 - **Brooklyn Lock**, Dental Assistant student from Arcanum
 - **Mallory Perkins**, Dental Assistant student from Northmont
 - **Alexis Shockey**, Dental Assistant student from Brookville
 - **Mikayla Stewart**, Dental Assistant student from Twin Valley South

We are very proud to have 18 medal winners placing in the top three in Ohio in SkillsUSA leadership and dental assisting competitions. The junior Opening and Closing team will represent Ohio at the National competition in Kansas City, Missouri, June 23rd to the 29th. Curtis Wilson received a letter of congratulations along with a plaque and \$100 prize from the Ohio Chapter of the American Dental Association.

For more information about how MVCTC is helping students to be college and career ready, 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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Photo 1: MVCTC Ohio State SkillsUSA Dental Assistant winners are:
Last row (left to right): Curtis Wilson (Arcanum), Allison Ashworth (Arcanum), Sydney Bussard (Tri-County North), Taylor Parker (Arcanum), Jenna Duff (Milton Union), Kelsey Ehlers (Wayne), Kennedy Tarrance (Vandalia Butler), and Kourtney Engle (Tri-County North).
Middle row: Alexis Shockey (Brookville), Mallory Perkins (Northmont), Brie Henderson (Trotwood Madison), Mikayla Stewart (Twin Valley South), Jessica Jacoby (Tri-County North), Brooklynn Lock (Arcanum), and Cayla Hartley (Twin Valley South).
Front row: Ti'Ajza Dechant (West Carrollton), Cara Mikesell (Tri-Village), and Mikayla Welch (Bethel).