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***MVCTC Allied Health Program Prepares Students for Bright Future***

**Clayton, Ohio** – The Miami Valley Career Technology Center (MVCTC) Allied Health Technologies program prepares students with healthcare related skills and the academic foundation for college and a career. This program is one of the more popular and most challenging programs at MVCTC. Each year, approximately 75 Allied Health students are accepted in to the junior program.

The main goals of the Allied Health program are:

- gain competencies in medical terminology related to each body system
- complete Nurse Aide Training Program to take the State Tested Nursing Assistant (STNA) test
- obtain certification in CPR/First Aid
- earn the Sinclair Tech Prep Scholarship

Students in the Allied Health program gain knowledge and practice skills to pursue a career in a variety of healthcare professions such as respiratory care, physical therapy assistant, occupational therapy assistant, radiologic technologist, surgical technology, nursing, medical assisting, dietetics and nutritional management, etc. Upon completion of the Nurse Aide Training Program students will be able to take the exam to become a STNA. While still in high school, students have the opportunity to gain college credits through Sinclair Community College.

Over the past few years, the Allied Health program has shown very strong data to support the level of academic challenge provided to their students. On average, 127 students are enrolled in the Allied Health program each school year.

Based on the 2011 follow-up date (the most recent reported by the state), 95% of MVCTC Allied Health students were employed, in the military, or enrolled in college or advanced training after leaving MVCTC. The Allied Health program also reported 100% technical skill attainment, completion of the program, and academic attainment in math, reading, and science.

Each year MVCTC selects students to be inducted in to the National Technical Honor Society (NTHS). Students are selected for NTHS based on the following

requirements: a 3.75 grade point average or higher, 97 percent attendance, passed all parts of the Ohio Graduation Test and instructor recommendations. Over the past five years, 63 Allied Health students have been inducted into the MVCTC NTHS.

Past MVCTC Allied Health graduates are employed at all local hospitals in many areas of healthcare. 2009 Allied Health graduate, Emmanuel (Manny) Osei, graduated from West Point in 2013 and is enlisted in the Army Aviation Division in a MEDEVAC unit. Manny shared about his experience at MVCTC, "I definitely owe part of my decision to go to West Point to my teacher (Mrs. Bissey) and experiences at MVCTC."

For more information about MVCTC, please visit [www.mvctc.com](http://www.mvctc.com).

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

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Photo – MVCTC Allied Health seniors, (right to left) Megan Monnin (Versailles) and Blanca Lopez (Wayne) are learning healthcare related skills and the academic foundation necessary for success in college and a career.