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MVCTC Diesel and Power Technologies Program

Clayton, Ohio – The Miami Valley Career Technology Center (MVCTC) Diesel and Power Technologies program provides solid fundamentals of industry knowledge, teaching students’ engines, fuel systems, fabrication, electronics, air conditioning, hydraulics, and power trains. This program also has a partnership with Miami Industrial Trucks to use their on-line training program and a lift truck for instruction. Students can earn certifications in A/C recovery/recycle, SP2 safety, and CAT lift truck.

Students of the Diesel and Power Technologies program may participate in FFA contests such as Agricultural and Industrial Diagnostics, Outdoor Power and Equipment, and Ag Mechanics. MVCTC students have won eight of the last nine district contests and placed in the top ten in all contests the past three years. The state Ag/Industrial Diagnostics team members can earn up to \$10,000 scholarships to attend the University of Northwestern Ohio (UNOH). Last year the team placed 3rd in the state and team members earned \$7,000 each.

Diesel and Power Technologies students are able to participate in the MVCTC Apprenticeship program, if they maintain good grades and great attendance. This school year nine Diesel and Power Tech students are apprenticing at many local businesses such as Rush Enterprise, Journey, 503 Diesel, Twin Valley Equipment, Koenigs, and World Wide Equipment.

Graduates have gone on to work at dealerships of over-the-road trucks, heavy equipment, agriculture dealerships, and rental fleets. Many students pursue their two-year associate's degree while working at a place of employment. Yet another option upon graduation is pursuing a four-year degree. The possibilities are endless.

Josh Furrow, a 2012 graduate from Miami East, is working for Rush Enterprises, a Semi Truck Repair and Service Company and is attending UNOH. Josh credits the Power Technologies program at MVCTC with giving him the skill set to get his job through the apprenticeship program. He is working full time and attending college full time .

Sam Everett, a 2012 graduate from Miami East, works for Detroit Engine Company while attending college, majoring in mechanical engineering. Sam has

stated that the Power Technologies program allowed him to gain the hands-on skills to get the job with Detroit and apply the knowledge he gained from academics.

Based on the 2011 follow-up data (the most recent reported by the state), 100% of MVCTC Diesel and Power Technologies students were employed, in the military, or enrolled in college or advanced training after leaving MVCTC. This program also reported 100% program completion and 100% academic attainment in math, reading, and science.

The diesel technician industry is growing rapidly with the retirement of technicians and the expansion of diesel engines in America. This trend continues and all major manufacturers in this country have announced new diesel engines in 1/2 ton pickups and/or cars. Ag, Industrial and over the road run all diesel engines.

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, 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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