MVCTC District Newsletter - Fall 2023



MVCTC DISTRICT NEWSLETTER

A NEW BEGINNING AND EXCITING UPDATES

As we stand at the threshold of a new school year, it's not just the beginning we're celebrating but also the end of an incredible five-year journey. The extensive remodeling project at 6800 Hoke Road in Englewood is nearing completion, and we are thrilled about what lies ahead. By the end of this school year, we anticipate the final moves into permanent homes for some of our most community-frequented programs: Cosmetology, Culinary Arts, and Early Childhood Education. We eagerly await the opportunity to welcome the community back to these exceptional programs.

But that's not all. This year has started with introducing three new career-technical programs on our campus: Drones & GIS Technologies, Pre-Engineering, and Pre-Law & Legal Studies. Additionally, we have expanded our reach with six new satellite locations in partner school districts, making our quality education even more accessible.

We are excited to share many stories and achievements in this edition of our District Newsletter. Highlights include national recognition for our Veterinary Science students, a generous donation to our Firefighter/EMS program by the Village of Lewisburg, and the introduction of new job shadowing opportunities for our Health Occupations students. As always, we will inform you about important upcoming events and celebrate our students' successes.

Please take the time to read and enjoy all that is happening at your career-technical center. Together, we are shaping the future and preparing our students for success in a rapidly evolving world. Thank you for your continued support of the Miami Valley Career Technology Center.





Dr. Nick Weldy Superintendent MVCTC

OHIO SCHOOL REPORT CARD FOR MVCTC CAREER TECHNICAL PLANNING DISTRICT 2022-2023

- 5 Stars Significantly exceeds state standards
- Met 9 out of 9 Federal Indicators
- 4 out of 5 stars for Achievement
- 5 out of 5 stars for Graduation Rate
- 5 out of 5 stars for Career & Post-Secondary Readiness
- 5 out of 5 stars for Post-Program Outcomes

Learn more at reportcard.education.ohio.gov

MISSION STATEMENT We are dedicated to providing premier educational choices and advanced employment preparation for youth, adults, and organizations of the Miami Valley.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sophomore Career Days at MVCTC are scheduled this year from November 28-30, 2023.

• Sophomores from the 27 partner school districts can visit MVCTC for a day and experience two career technical programs. The goal is to help students decide which career technical program they may want to pursue during their junior and senior years in high school. For more information, visit www.mvctc. com/2026.

Sophomore Open House -

 The Annual Sophomore Open House is scheduled for Thursday, November 30, from 4:30 - 7:00 p.m. The school will be open for sophomores and their parents to tour buildings, meet instructors, and learn more about the 43 career-technical programs that MVCTC offers for high school juniors and seniors.

FFA Charity Auction -

• The MVCTC FFA Chapter will host the 43rd Annual Charity Auction for the Ronald McDonald House of Dayton. The auction will be held on December 8, 2023, from 11:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Job Board -

 MVCTC Students and Alumni looking for a new career opportunity? Check out the job postings listed by our business partners on the website at www.mvctc.com/employment/jobpostings.

College Transition Advisors -

• College Transition Advisors available on campus. Common topics discussed in advising appointments are planning for current and prospective CCP students, college planning, scholarships, and more. Sinclair College Transition Advisor Sarah Humphreys will be at MVCTC on Wednesdays and Thursdays, 8:30-2:30. You can reach her at SinclairAdvisor@mvctc.com or by calling the office: 937-854-6390 or Sinclair Cell: 937-479-5263 (text or call). Edison State Community College Advisor Erica Wentworth will be at MVCTC on the first and third Tuesday of the month from 9:00-3:00. You can reach her at EdisonAdvisor@mvctc.com or by calling the office at 937-854-6390.

The Miami Valley Career Technology Center is dedicated to providing equal admission opportunities, equal educational opportunities, and equal employment opportunities without regard to race, religion, color, national origin, ancestry, age, sex, sexual orientation, handicap, marital status, or veteran status.

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WORK-BASED LEARNING 2023

The MVCTC Work-Based Learning Program is a unique opportunity for career-technical students to enter a highly skilled occupation in their senior year. In addition, MVCTC has an Ohio State Apprenticeship Council Recognized Pre-Apprenticeship Program. Students receive on-the-job training with a sponsoring employer and related technical instruction at MVCTC for the skills needed to succeed in their career field. The program allows them to earn high school credits, career-technical training, real-life work experience, and a paycheck while still in high school. For the beginning of the 2023-2024 school year, 133 seniors are employed as part of the Work-Based Learning Program. These students are working a total of 2,408 hours per week on average and have earned over \$142,000 combined to date.



MVCTC INSTRUCTOR TAKES THE LEAD

Ron Kauffman, Instructor for Heavy Equipment Operation, has been appointed as a state advisor for SkillsUSA Ohio. He will collaborate with seven other skills advisors from across the state and represent MVCTC.

ADULT EDUCATION

CAREER PROGRAMS STARTING JANUARY 2024

- Dental Assisting
- Electrician
- HVAC-R Technician
- Heavy Equipment Operations
- Precision Machining

Financial aid is available for Adult Education Career Programs for those who qualify. Information and FAFSA assistance is provided.

Need help finding your career pathway? See what is available in Adult Education at MVCTC! Call 937-854-6297 to schedule an appointment!

SHORT-TERM COURSES

Short-term courses at MVCTC can give you the tools to stay on top of current trends in the workplace while increasing your earning potential.

- Phlebotomy This basic blood draw course prepares students for the NHA Certified Phlebotomy Technician certification exam.
- Nurse Aide (STNA) Training Earn an STNA license to start a healthcare career. Complete the course to earn a State Tested Nurse Aide (STNA) License through the Ohio Department of Health.
- Welding A 12-week introduction to Shielded Metal Arc Welding, Mig Welding, and Tig Welding. All classes are offered in the evenings.

VISIT MVCTC.COM/AE TO LEARN MORE ABOUT ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAMS!



ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAMS HELP STUDENTS FIND SUCCESS

Customized Training for Dysinger, Inc.

A strong partnership with Dysinger, Inc. has been established with customized training from Adult Education.

Dysinger had eight total students complete the Machine Shop 1 course and are now taking the Machine Shop 2 course.



Partnering with Reynolds Machinery

Four electricians from Reynolds Machinery participated in a 5-week customized training course that combined electrical training on precision machines similar to those in their shop. The curriculum was developed specifically for the Reynolds employees based on their roles, projects, and experience.

CALL MVCTC ADULT EDUCATION AT 937-854-6297 TO LEARN MORE ABOUT CUSTOMIZED TRAINING PROGRAMS!



MVCTC ASPIRE

MVCTC's Aspire program offers free classes for adults seeking to improve academic and workforce skills. Classes are offered at different times and locations around Montgomery, Greene, and Preble counties to individuals with or without a high school diploma.

Services available:

- Foundational math, reading, and writing skills.
- Adult Secondary Education/High School Equivalency (HSE) preparation. HSE options include GED, HiSET, Adult Diploma Program, or 22+ Adult High School Diploma Program.
- Transition services help students develop essential skills for employment, college, or trade school.
- Life skills, employability skills, and computer literacy.
- Workplace education services are offered in collaboration with an employer to increase the workforce's productivity.
- Distance education classes that enhance learning using technology. For more information or to ask questions, call (937)-223-5626 or email aspire@mvctc.com. For more current information on Aspire, visit

www.mvctc.com/aspire!



CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS

Village of Lewisburg Donates Fire Truck to Firefighter/ EMS Program



The Village of Lewisburg donated a 1989 firetruck to the MVCTC Firefighter/EMS Program. The FMC pumper/tanker holds 1200 gallons of water and can pump 1500 gallons per minute. The Village of Lewisburg donated the truck at the end of the 2022-2023 school year.

MVCTC Firefighter/EMS Instructor Captain John Shaw shared, "The donation is greatly appreciated. The truck will be used around campus and at our live fire drills to support the Firefighter program. This truck in particular will help us to teach tanker operations, which is used in rural communities and areas without hydrants."

Za'Riah Hill HOSA International First Place Winner



Congratulations to Za'Riah Hill (Medical Lab Assisting/ Huber Heights) Life Support Skills Contest First Place Winner at the HOSA-Future Health Professionals 46th International Leadership Conference in Dallas, Texas, June 21-24, 2023.

MVCTC Hosts Tech Prep Aviation Day



MVCTC, in collaboration with the Miami Valley Tech Prep Consortium and Sinclair College, welcomed students from all over the Miami Valley to learn more about careers in the aviation industry.

MVCTC Students Compete at FCCLA National Conference



MVCTC Culinary Arts seniors,
Tera Couch (Arcanum-Butler) and
Devonte Anderson (Northridge)
proudly represented the MVCTC
at the 2023 FCCLA National
Leadership Conference in Denver,
CO, from July 2-6. Devonte
competed in the Nutrition and
Wellness STAR Event and achieved
a Gold Medal. Tera competed in the
Career Investigation STAR Event,
earned a Gold Medal, and placed in
the Top 10 in the nation.

Collaboration Offers Students Valuable Insight Into the Legal System



Junior students in the Criminal Justice and Pre-Law & Legal Studies programs collaborated to conduct a mock trial in the new court room/ classroom created for the Pre-Law & Legal Studies program.

Youth Connections Students Learn Value of Giving



Youth Connections students, under the guidance of instructor, Doug Pultz, participated in a service project to make hygiene kits for local homeless individuals.

Students and staff voluntarily brought in items that were donated through the Caring Place charity in Xenia. The kits included necessary hygiene items and hand-made notes of encouragement. Students shared that participating in this

activity "made coming to school today more meaningful" and "it felt good to help someone in the community—someone who might need a little help."

CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS - CONTINUED

FFA Members Recognized Nationally



Xochitl Lozano-Licona and Haley Roberts, 2023, alumni of the Veterinary Science program at MVCTC have been named national finalist in the Division 6 National FFA Agriscience Fair Competition. Xochitl Lozano-Licona is a Class of 2023 graduate from Mississinawa Valley, and Haley Roberts is a 2023 graduate from Eaton.

The National FFA Agriscience Fair is part of the annual National FFA Convention & Expo, Nov. 1-4, 2023, in Indianapolis, IN. FFA members working as individuals or teams

in grades seven through 12 conduct a scientific research project on the agriculture or food science industries.

New Drones & GIS Technologies Program Takes Flight

The MVCTC Drones & GIS Technologies career-technical program allows students to gain knowledge and skills in the emerging UAS (Unmanned Aerial Systems) and the GIS (Geospatial Information Systems) Fields. Students will learn GIS, mission planning, and UAS maintenance and modification. They will learn to operate and fly drones using the indoor flying space, allowing them to earn their Remote Pilot Certification.

This program is unique because students will also delve into using the data and images after learning to operate the drones. The drone information is used to understand the GIS Fundamentals and how it is used for database analytics.

Students will also earn Microsoft Office Specialist (MOS) Certification and be prepared to continue their education in the Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS) or Geospatial Technology programs at Sinclair College or Clark State College.

Drones & GIS Technologies is an emerging career field with endless possibilities, including first responders, precision agriculture, data analytics, sensor operations, infrastructure inspection, aerial mapping and surveying, logistics, security, and more.



Drones & GIS Technologies Class of 2025 students Isaiah Ares (Tipp City) and Avi Schuman (Brookville) working on a Drones Project in the new MVCTC Flight Lab.

YOUR FUTURE, OUR PASSION. Senior Health Occupations Students Participate in Job Shadow with Kettering Health



A fantastic new learning opportunity is being offered this school year for our Health Occupations students. Instructors Tina Deeter and Jody Flynn worked diligently to arrange a Job Shadow experience with Kettering Health (formerly Grandview Hospital). The arrangement allows senior students to job shadow in different departments at the hospital one day a week.

Mrs. Flynn shared, "Since we are a health occupations class, we strive to expose students to various healthcare positions. While several students in health occupations hope to go into nursing, many are unsure what area of healthcare they would like to pursue. They know they are interested in being in the healthcare field; however, they may have limited knowledge and exposure to the different healthcare positions that are out there. These shadows are helping us do just that. Students are experiencing positions they did not think they would like and finding new interests. Students are also finding areas they do not like. Students should decide now what appeals to them rather than spending time and money in college for a degree they discover they do not want to pursue.

Many of our students plan to pursue a higher education degree. This opportunity can ensure they find the right field. We also have many students with financial needs requiring them to work ASAP. These shadowing opportunities help them feel confident in their abilities and help students make connections to help them later in their careers."





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YOUR LOCAL CAREER CENTER, PROUDLY SERVING FAMILIES IN WARREN COUNTY



Carlisle senior Anna Gross (Health Occupations) has been selected as a Student Ambassador for the 2023-2024 school year. "I decided to attend MVCTC to get a head-start on my career and gather the experience I needed to decide what I wanted to do with my future. My best experience at MVCTC has been the amount of knowledge and insight I've gathered. Because of MVCTC, I've been able to job shadow at Kettering Hospital, complete clinicals at a nursing home, and I've been able to get my foot in the door when it comes to finding potential employers. After I graduate I plan to go to college and major in either biochemistry or molecular biology. After this, I plan to pursue a career in Oncology.



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Carlisle senior Trace Donathan (Automotive Technology) has been selected as a Student Ambassador for the 2023-2024 school year. "I chose MVCTC because I wanted to give myself a head start on my future and saw an opportunity here at MVCTC. My best experience has been participating in student ambassador activities and being in the school-to-work program. I have plans to seek further education after MVCTC." Trace is a half-day internship student working at Voss Chevrolet.



Carlisle seniors Chloe Lucas,Trace Donathan, and Anna Gross at Student Ambassador Training.



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MVCTC Student Ambassadors Emily Powell (Valley View), Danielle Warner (Valley View), and Lillian Wright (Valley View) visited Valley View High School and spoke with sophomores.



Brookville MVCTC FFA cooked burgers and provided lunch for over 450 students and parents for the annual Brookville Swap Day. Elaine Rhoades, FFA Co-President is shown here helping serve food.



New Lebanon and MVCTC 2007 Alumnus Micah Blosser wins second Mid-America Regional Emmy Award! Micah won with his team working at Saint Lukes Hospital on the Short Form Content, "Kelly's Story-The Lazarus Effect."





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Mississinawa Valley MVCTC FFA Members Diana Rodriguez, Dylan Wehrkamp, Aldon Edger, and Daniel Hartzell traveled to the Ohio Statehouse to attend the Ohio Legislative Leadership Conference.



Versailles senior, Imagene Potter was selected as a 2023-2024 Student Ambassador for the Welding Program and is currently employed with Devers J W & Son Inc.



Arcanum-Butler MVCTC FFA Members (Ayden Hess, Seth Fearon, Mora Menzie, Jacob Flayler, Payten Parks, and Noah Egnor) assisted Graves-Fearon Insurance with their Feed the Farmer Event. Members helped pack and deliver meals and also distributed Farm Safety Bags assembled by the Darke County Chamber of Commerce.



Congratulations to Sherry Dong, a Franklin Monroe MVCTC BPA senior member for recently being named to the office of Secretary for BPA Region 3.

Student Ambassadors Levi Bergman (Tri-Village) and Markus Bynum (Vandalia-Butler) spoke at Tri-Village High School.





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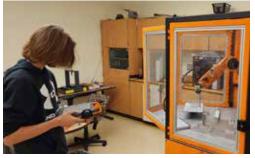
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Northmont - MVCTC 8th grade Robotics students Calista Kuntz, Anberlynn Jones-Chambers, and Khloe Gaffin use problem-solving and cooperative learning skills to build the tallest notecard tower.



Vandalia-Butler MVCTC STEM student, Jayden Webb Is creating his first motion program, making the robot draw a square on the table in the cabinet.



MVCTC Student Ambassadors T'Bria Works (Jefferson Township), Keirstyn Schmidt (Eaton), Devonte Anderson (Northridge), Jamin Jones (Northridge), Tyler Wilson (Trotwood-Madison), and Amelia Pierce (Huber Heights) visited Trotwood-Madison High School.



Northridge MVCTC Health Careers Students working on the Infection Control Unit. Pictured left to right Hailey White and Kayla Cobb.



Wayne students are learning forklift and aerial lift training as well as ladder safety in the first few weeks of the new Construction Technology Class offered through a partnership between Huber Heights Schools and MVCTC.





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Congratulations to the Milton-Union MVCTC FFA October Members of the Month, Eli Deeter and Tessah Perkins!



Congratulations to the Miami East - MVCTC October FFA Member of the Month, Kinsley Courtright!



Student Ambassadors from Miami County, Kazim Mamatov (Bethel), Austin Hawkins (Bethel), Thomas Wallace (Miami East), Burton Koogler (Tipp City), Brooklyn Taylor (Miami East), Eva Fry (Bethel), Malea Padgitt (Miami East), Haley Hillard (Milton-Union), and Kailyn Rohrer (Tipp City).



Bethel MVCTC STEM students Adel Eljawad, Connor McElroy, Kolden Egbert, Kade Schweikhardt, Eli Lammers, Jonathan Huynh, Aiden Pickett, and Thomas Saylor attended the Farm Science Review at The Ohio State University to learn about ag innovations, including robotic mowers, automated soil samplers, tractors, tillage equipment, and drones.





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Eaton - MVCTC Agriculture students Lydia Eilerman, Maddi Morgan-Benge, Jacob Erbaugh, Katie Bryant, and Anna Barney participated in the Preble County AG STEM Day. Members were tasked with teaching 3rd graders about beef cattle and what it looks like feeding and helping the world.



Tri-County North - MVCTC Agriculture students Brianna Wagoner, Brenna Callahan, and Erin Kring volunteer each month working with The Foodbank, Inc. to distribute food to residents in their community of Lewisburg.



Twin Valley South MVCTC Agriculture students Adisen Johnson and Mya Hundley learned about soils. From mineral types, factors that affect soil formation and porosity.



National Trail - MVCTC FFA chapter is a finalist in the Premier Chapter Strengthening Agriculture Division. Ten chapters in the nation have earned this honor for the 2023 National FFA. Lexi Hake and Kailtlyn Schweizer interviewed with a panel of judges in late September to earn a top-three spot. Partnering with the Preble County Historical Society and Preble County Library to install an enchanted trail at the Historical Society.





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Miamisburg MVCTC STEM students construct robot drag racing cars using VEX EXP kits. Students Shaylynn Weber, Zaid Ashour, Kenzie Stanley, and Dominic Meyer show their progress from left to right.



2023-2024 Student Ambassadors Prabhlean Singh (Miamisburg), Alyssa Jackson (Miamisburg), Griffen Jung (Miamisburg), Aaron Watts (Jefferson Township), Emily Powell (Valley View), Avery Brewer (Miamisburg), T'Bria Works (Jefferson Township), Danielle Warner (Valley View), and Lillian Wright (Valley View).



Miamisburg MVCTC Agriculture students Tyler Bledsoe and Dmari Thomas from the Landscape Design class learn how to repot a plant the correct way.