



## ***Welcome Junior Families!***

### **What Makes MCCTC Different Than a Traditional Setting?**

Thank you for choosing MCCTC! Enrollment in our programs is highly competitive, and we are excited to start the next school year. We are looking forward to sharing with you all of the amazing opportunities we provide our students here at MCCTC. At MCCTC, our students have exposure to our exciting programs, plus additional opportunities such as valuable industry-recognized credentials, opportunities for college credit, and much more! We individualize for our students to maximize offerings, ensuring students leave with the best experience possible.

What really sets MCCTC apart is that all incoming juniors will take the Ohio Means Jobs Career Readiness Course and have the opportunity to earn the Readiness Seal by the end of their senior year. Ohio high school students now can earn this recognition by showing they are prepared to contribute to the workplace and their communities. This endeavor sets MCCTC apart from others in the State, and has earned our students statewide recognition.

***This course is a requirement in order to be a Career and Technical student.*** The Ohio Means Jobs-Readiness Seal is a formal designation students can earn on their high school diplomas and transcripts indicating they have the personal strengths, strong work ethic and professional experience that businesses need. To earn the Ohio Means Jobs-Readiness Seal, motivated high school students must demonstrate certain professional skills required for success in the workplace. Students work with at least three experienced and trusted mentors who validate the demonstration of these skills in school, work, or the community. Additionally, this coursework builds into senior year, where students learn valuable financial literacy skills that will benefit them in college and/or careers. Colleges and industry are increasingly supporting this and recognizing the value of this on a student transcript.

The way MCCTC has structured these courses allows our program instructors more time to focus on lab skills and ensures that all students are exposed to these important professional skills. In addition to the skills, students will have practice opportunities for the WorkKeys Exam, ACT preparation, and resume building. The course is structured depending on the academy demands and student needs for the future.

We value your teamwork in providing the best educational opportunities possible for our students. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask.

Sincerely,

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