

## Student Follow-up

MCTEC faculty members make every effort to provide career training that enables students to obtain marketable skills. Many of the Center's high school graduates have taken advantage of this training and have secured employment. Others have used their skills as a foundation for military careers or have decided to continue their education by attending colleges, technical institutions and other post-secondary schools. The placement of last year's high school graduates is summarized in this chart:

26%	Employed
33%	Higher education
20%	Still in high school
6%	Military service
8%	Unemployed
7%	Unavailable for placement/follow-up not required

Graduates of the practical nursing program are required by law to pass a national examination (NCLEX) in order to receive a license to practice their skills. Survey results for last year indicate that all graduates of the LPN program passed NCLEX, were issued their licenses by the State and are now employed in the field of nursing.

Graduates of the cosmetology and nail technology programs are also required by law to pass a two-part (theory and practical) state examination before being licensed to practice their skills. Results show that nine students successfully completed the state licensure examinations.

## Students At Work Internships

The Students At Work (S.A.W.) program helps students prepare for life after graduation by providing them with practical work experiences related to their MCTEC studies. For nine weeks or more, various Marion County companies became laboratories and classrooms and company personnel became teachers and mentors. Students were placed with the following companies last year: Marion Regional Medical Center, Blanton Farms, B & C Auto Body Shop and Grover Welding.

## Enterprise and Service Learning

Service learning, mentoring and school-based enterprise opportunities are provided for students enrolled in every MCTEC program. This chart indicates the number of students involved in last year's activities.

Mentoring - Robotics Team	6
Service Learning	47
School-based Enterprise	79

## School Renewal

During 2007-2008, MCTEC participated in a self-study for the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools to review and update a school renewal plan. Committees of Marion County TEC stakeholders created a Strategic Plan to carry the Center through the next five years. The Plan will be updated on an annual basis with goals that are achieved being removed and new goals being added to the Plan as appropriate. The School Renewal Plan includes goals, strategies and action steps from three different areas: funding/facilities, curriculum and public relations.

### 1) GOALS: Funding/facilities

Improve the roof drainage system, convert lighting fixtures to a more energy efficient type, to be in compliance with ADA standards, provide for a Health Science program and a business-marketing course, repave the Center's parking lots and driveways, provide for the reroofing of the Center's buildings, fund a systematic maintenance plan for equipment and facilities.

### 2) GOALS: Curriculum

Offer a Health Science program and a business-marketing course to high school students, align all applicable MCTEC programs with WorkKeys Assessment Standards.

### 3) GOALS: Public relations

Enhance the MCTEC newsletter, install a digital sign to increase community awareness of activities, improve the curb appeal of the Center through landscaping, increase the distribution of information to potential high school students, improve the coverage of MCTEC activities in various media.

### GOALS Obtained:

- Improve the roof drainage system
- Repave the Center's parking lots and driveways
- Offer a Health Science program
- Offer a business-marketing course (Sports Marketing)
- Install a digital sign at the front of the campus
- Redesign the MCTEC website
- Convert lighting fixtures to energy efficient fixtures

### GOALS Obtained (but are being continued):

- Enhance the MCTEC newsletter
- Enhance the MCTEC website

### GOALS Showing Significant Progress:

- Reroofing of the Center's buildings
- Increasing MCTEC campus and internal security
- increasing information to potential students through enhanced publications and multimedia presentations

## Report to the Parents and the Community

2010 - 2011



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## MCTEC

The Mission of the Marion County Technical Education Center is to ensure that students of all ages will acquire skills for a changing global workforce by providing a program of study in a safe, modern learning environment.

The Center is unique among Marion County schools in that facilities, instructors, equipment and supplies have been assembled in one location so students can gain technical skill training from a variety of career areas. Enrollment is tuition free to all Marion County high school students.

*The Marion County Technical Education Center does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability or age in its programs or activities and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups.*

## The Programs

Students were able to enroll in one of the following programs during the 2010-2011 school year:

- Auto Collision Repair Technology**
- Automotive Technology**
- Construction Trades**
- Cosmetology**
- Culinary Arts**
- Entertainment Technology**
- Environmental and Natural Resources**
- Health Science**
- Nail Technology**
- Practical Nursing**
- Sports Marketing**

## Enrollment

MCTEC enrollment numbered 239 high school students and 54 adult students. The enrollment from each of the schools served is displayed below.

<b>Marion</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>Alternative Sch.</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>Mullins</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>Private Schools</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Creek Bridge</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>Adults (LPN)</b>	<b>54</b>

## Craft Advisory Committees

All MCTEC programs have committees made up of business and industry representatives, parents, former students and teachers who are interested in improving MCTEC and in helping staff and faculty members stay current with changes in their career areas. Advisors met at MCTEC for a breakfast meeting on Oct. 15, 2010 and then periodically throughout the school year to review programs, study curriculum and advise teachers on changes needed to continue providing relevant instruction.

## Parent Night - Open House

Parent Night - Open House was held on Thursday evening, September 9, 2010. The event was very successful with many parents seeing the equipment and technology used at MCTEC, meeting instructors, seeing the progress being made by their children and learning about the curriculum. An Italian dinner, prepared by the students enrolled in the Culinary Arts program, was served to the families of MCTEC students who attended Parent Night - Open House.

## The Renaissance Journey

The 2010-2011 Renaissance Journey ended on Thursday evening, May 10, 2011, when Latrina Graves, a first-year

Cosmetology student, opened the winning envelope that contained the key to a Ford Explorer. The Journey began 9 months earlier with a promise that one MCTEC student would win a car at the end of the school year. Students earned the right to be in the drawing by making good grades, having good attendance, displaying good behavior, helping classmates, etc. By May, more than 500 entries were in the fishbowl. Latrina was fortunate enough to be the student who won. The car was acquired by MCTEC and was made "road ready" by students in Automotive Technology and Auto Collision Repair classes.

## F.I.R.S.T. Robotics

Team 1051, (Technical Terminators) as the Marion County team is known, competed in Charleston, South Carolina during the spring of 2011 in regional FIRST competition. This contest paired robots from various teams with each other to challenge paired robots from other teams. The Marion County team members, with the help of engineers from SiMT, designed and built an excellent robot that performed well in the event.

## Student Organizations

**SkillsUSA** is a national organization for students enrolled in a variety of occupational and technical education programs. It emphasizes skill development and leadership. Sponsor for the MCTEC team is Bobby Lowrimore, Construction Trades instructor.

**ProStart** is a national organization for students enrolled in culinary and hospitality programs. It emphasizes skill development and competition. Sponsor for the ProStart team is Patricia Owens, Culinary Arts instructor.

**HOSA** is a national organization for students enrolled in the health care and related career programs. Sponsors for HOSA are Mary Pool, Tracy Oakley Misty Owens, Practical Nursing instructors and Shana Lee, Health Science instructor.

## Achievement Ceremony

An Achievement - Completion Ceremony was held on May 10, 2011 in the MCTEC auditorium to recognize 82 graduates for their accomplishments and to present them with their program completion certificates. In most cases, the completion certificates represented one thousand hours of skill training students had gained during their two-year programs. Students who had maintained grade averages of 93 or above for the year, maintained acceptable attendance records and received no discipline referrals that resulted in an out-of-school suspension were named as Honor Graduates. There were 25 students who were presented with honor cords to be wore during the MCTEC ceremony and at other awards ceremonies at their respective high schools. The ceremony was followed by a reception honoring the 2011 graduates.

## Utilization of Facilities

The utilization of training facilities by business/industry groups, civic organizations, colleges, law enforcement and other governmental agencies, etc. truly make MCTEC a community Center that benefits many local citizens.

## Guidance and Placement Services

Career guidance/placement services were available to all MCTEC students. These departments attempted to help students make beneficial educational and career choices.

## Recognition and Awards

MCTEC students were recognized for outstanding achievement through an awards program that included Honor Roll, Student of the Month, Special Awards and Achievement Medallions. Thirty students received Achievement Medallions honoring them as "Outstanding Graduates" at awards/recognition ceremonies at their respective high schools in May 2011. These honored students are:

### MARION HIGH SCHOOL

Terry Jackson	Auto Collision Repair
Brandon Grover	Auto Collision Repair
Ty Ladd	Automotive Technology
Wayne Richardson	Automotive Technology
Eursheila Davis	Cosmetology
Ronneshia King	Cosmetology
Aaron Smith	Construction Trades
Najee Cuyler	Entertainment Technology
Curtis Fryson	Entertainment Technology
Quiesha Ellison	Environmental Resources
Yashae Davis	Nail Technology
Shaquille Johnson	Nail Technology

### MULLINS HIGH SCHOOL

Jessica Holley	Cosmetology
Nechelle Hayes	Cosmetology
Kareem Owens	Entertainment Technology
Allen Michael Ward	Environmental Resources
Jamira Gerald	Health Science
Bria Williams	Nail Technology
Tiffany Cook	Practical Nursing
Damian Ellison	Sports marketing

### CREEK BRIDGE HIGH SCHOOL

Jawuan McClellan	Auto Collision Repair
Crystal Woodberry	Cosmetology
Janelle Ceasar	Cosmetology
Matthew Woodberry	Culinary Arts
Ra'Keem Williams	Culinary Arts
James Allen	Environmental Resources
Jameca Legette	Health Science
Tyesha Bacchus	Health Science
Traveon Teshima	Health Science
Rodney Sistrunk	Sports Marketing