

College Tech Prep e-Profiles

Mahoning Area Consortium Tech Prep Electronic Newsletter

January 2009

New Year's Greeting from the Director

Happy New Year!

2009 brings a new and exciting direction and opportunities for College Tech Prep. The recently approved State of Ohio Perkins* Plan contains changes in the responsibilities of College Tech Prep.

While we will continue to facilitate pathway curriculum development, new pathway implementation, partnerships and collaborations, a greater emphasis will be placed on postsecondary education.

Student college readiness and postsecondary transitions as well as postsecondary certificate/degree completion will be a major priority for MAC Tech Prep. College Tech Prep will also continue to work closely with our sites, partners and stakeholders to offer our students increased opportunities for learning.

We anticipate your renewed support and assistance in providing the highest quality advanced technology training for Mahoning Valley students for years to come.

* Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act of 2006

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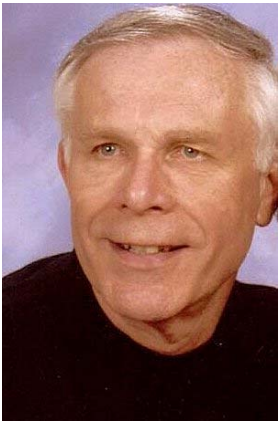
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Calendar

Jan 29 Mahoning County sophomore students visit MCCTC
Jan 29 MAC Tech Prep Consortium meeting at YSU



College Tech Prep Project Coordinator Retires

We say farewell and best wishes to David R. Smith, project coordinator for MAC Tech Prep, who will retire at the end of January after 10 years. We greatly appreciate his hard work, commitment and loyal service to the programs, students, parents, teachers, schools and stakeholders of College Tech Prep at Youngstown State University.

We are losing a very valuable member of our team whom we will sorely miss.

Good luck and best wishes for a happy and peaceful retirement.

College Tech Prep Students Receive Prestigious Benny Award

On January 15, 2009, the Graphic Arts Council (GAC) of Cleveland awarded the prestigious Benny Award to students in the Interactive Multimedia program at MCCTC. Receiving the award at Cuyahoga County Community College were: **Alicia Withers**, 1st Place - Senior Invitation - 4-color printing category, **Michael Derugen** and **Brandi Takes**, Honorable Mention - 4-color printing category. All are College Tech Prep students of Mary Ann Thoburn and Melissa Hackett, instructors of the Interactive Multimedia program at MCCTC. Tiffany Chopp and Shawn Dorman also received Honorable Mention. Judging was based on concept, design execution and technical skills. GAC received more than 300 entries. Congratulations to all!

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2009 Teaching & Learning Conference

The Office of Associate Degree and Tech Prep Programs in partnership with NEOCEX present the first annual celebration of teaching event, the 2009 Teaching & Learning Conference.

Location: Youngstown State University
Date: Saturday, February 28, 2009
Time: 8:30 AM – 3:30 PM

The conference will feature a keynote address by Mr. William Mullane, Supervisor, Ashtabula County Educational Service Center and workshops in podcasting, GPS, Self-Regulated Learning, Inquiry-Based Learning, multicultural education and culturally relevant teaching, STEM activities for elementary, middle and high school classrooms, and LEGO robotics.

The conference is FREE and open to teacher prep high school students, K-12 teachers, pre-service teachers, after-school personnel and university faculty. **Registration is limited to 150 participants.**

For more information and registration form contact:
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*Partially funded by a mini-grant from the Northeast Ohio Center of Excellence (NEOCEX) for Mathematics and Science Teacher Education

Youngstown State University Engineering Seminar

The College of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) will host the Roadway and Transportation Industry Seminar*.

The seminar will feature representatives from the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT), Eastgate Regional Council of Governments, Trumbull County Engineers Office and the Ohio Contactors Association.

The transportation infrastructure in Ohio and the U.S. will require major renovations which will create job opportunities for professionals trained in engineering, roadway or transportation careers.

The seminar is **FREE** and open to students in grades 9 – 12. **Registration is limited to 50 students.**

Location: Youngstown State University
Date: Monday, March 9, 2009
Time: 9:00 AM – 1:30 PM

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*Funded by a grant from the Center for Transportation and Materials Engineering Center at YSU.

Manufacturing Technologies Pathway

The manufacturing technologies program at Mahoning County Career & Technical Center and Choffin Career & Technical Center is a diverse pathway that prepares high school students for a career in planning, managing and performing the processing of materials into intermediate or final products. Students in the program earn up to 6 semester hours at Youngstown State University.

Manufacturing technologies is a very promising field because of job growth and service demand. Welders, tool and die makers and multiple machine operators are examples of these occupations.

CTP instructors Robert Morrell at Choffin Career & Technical Center and Rich Stape at MCCTC are infusing rigorous academics and advance technology to prepare their students for college and career opportunities.

2009 College Tech Prep Scholarship

CTP seniors who plan to enroll at Youngstown State University and continue in the same pathway are eligible to apply for the YSU Foundation Tech Prep Scholarship. The College Tech Prep scholarship application will be made available to the College Tech Prep instructors in March. College Tech Prep will award two \$1,000 scholarships.

The deadline to apply is April 15, 2009.

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