

Highlights of college and student achievements



Clockwise from top, members of Montcalm Community College's Business Professionals of America Club earned high honors during contests this year; MCC was honored as a Michigan Veteran Affairs Agency (MVAA) Veteran-Friendly School for the ninth year; MCC Foundation scholarship recipients were recognized during an annual celebration; MCC's 56th Commencement was May 5.

By Lexie Barnwell

Montcalm Community College celebrated its 56th commencement on May 5 during a celebration in the gymnasium on the college's Sidney campus. A total of 239 degrees and certificates were awarded to graduates for the 2022-2023 academic year.

The 2023-2024 academic year marks the eleventh year for Early College at Montcalm Community College. This year, 16 students are expected to graduate with a certificate or degree, 19 are on track to graduate in 2025 and 25 in 2026. Early College at MCC is a free program that allows students to leave their home high school to attend MCC for three years starting their junior year. Upon graduation, they receive their high school diploma and an associate degree or certificate from MCC. Schools participating in the Early College program include Belding, Carson City-Crystal, Central Montcalm, Greenville, Lakeview, Montabella, Saranac, Tri County and Vestaburg.

This fall, 523 high school students are also dual-enrolled in classes at Montcalm Community College. Dual enrollment at MCC allows students to take college-level courses while still in high school and receive both high school and college

credit. Through dual enrollment, students can take up to 10 college classes, and their high school helps pay tuition and fees up to an approved dollar amount. Schools participating this fall include: Algoma Christian School, Alma High School, Belding High School, Carson City-Crystal High School, Cedar Springs High School, Central Montcalm High School, Fellowship Baptist Academy, Fulton High School, Greenville High School, iCademy Global, Ionia High School, Lakeview High School, Montabella High School, Morley Stanwood High School, Niles High School, Portland High School, Saranac High School, Success Virtual Learning Centers, Tri County High School and Vestaburg High School.

For the ninth year, MCC was honored as a Michigan Veteran Friendly Affairs Agency (MVAA) certified Veteran-Friendly School at the gold level for its commitment to supporting the needs of student veterans and dependents as they work to achieve their educational goals.

Seven MCC students earned high honors during the Business Professionals of America (BPA) National Leadership Conference, which was held in Anaheim, Calif. They

included Claire Scott of Beal City, Noelle Kyes of Belding, Kyleigh Mills of Greenville, Sawyer Bowers of Greenville, Jaxson Clark of Greenville, Lindsey Olger of Sheridan and Emily Throop of Stanton.

A total of 1,001 students were named to MCC's honors lists during the academic year, including 463 during the 2022 fall semester and 538 during the 2023 spring semester.

MCC's ever-popular summer camps for youths offered a variety of opportunities in areas such as arts, agriculture, Legos®, law enforcement, drones, STEM learning, welding, computers and more.

The college maintains accreditation with the Higher Learning Commission through its participation in the Open Pathway component, which affords institutions the opportunity to pursue improvement projects that meet their current needs and aspirations. In addition, MCC's nursing program maintains accreditation through the National League for Nursing Commission for Nursing Education Accreditation (NLN CNEA). ■

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During the 2022-2023 academic year:

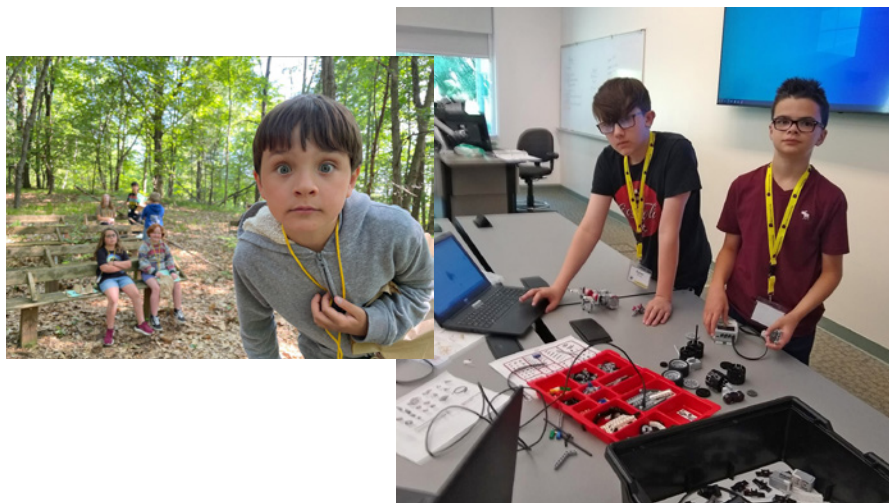
207 students earned 178 associate degrees, 111 certificates

2,070 students enrolled in credit classes

The average age of MCC credit students was 24

MCC's average class size was 15 students

63% of course sections offered were online, live online or hybrid delivery; 37% were in-person



MCC's 2022-2023 budget



Income

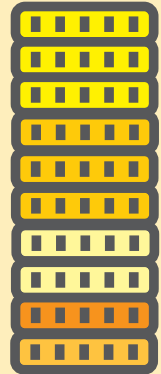
Property Tax - 42%

Tuition & Fees - 34%

State Appropriations - 22%

Other - 1%

Grants - 1%



Expenditures

Instruction - 39%

Institutional Administration - 19%

Physical Plant - 12%

Instructional Support - 10%

Debt Services & Other - 8%

Student Services - 10%

Public Service - 2%



2019-2023 Fall Semester Credit Headcount

