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Transform the student experience.

MCC offered its annual Summer Bridge Program August 7-9. Students participated in activities designed to prepare them for college. They learned about a variety of topics, including using the MCC portal and D2L, purchasing textbooks, understanding Title IX and financial aid, and how to sign up for campus resources such as technology rentals and tutoring services.



MCC Students were welcomed back with the annual Roadrunner Rush activities on August 24. The event consisted of games, music, food, and prizes. MCC Student Club leadership helped coordinate the event and used it as an opportunity to help students become engaged.

Transform our own workforce experience.

MCC staff and faculty met for a Fall Semester Kick-off event on August 17. President Curt Freed and President's Staff introduced new staff and shared college updates. A panel of returning students was part of the morning's activities. Students shared their experiences from last year, providing insight to faculty and staff about how MCC can continue to provide a welcoming and supportive experience. The day began with a group photo and concluded with a staff BBQ.



welcome to its two latest additions to leadership: Dr. Deborah Coates, serving as the Vice President of Instruction, and Dr. Gary Dukes, assuming the role of Vice President of Student Services. Before joining MCC, Dr. Coates held the position of Dean of Instruction at Kalamazoo Valley Community College. Dr. Dukes brings with him experience as the former Vice President for Student Affairs at Western Oregon University.

MCC extended a warm



Create education without barriers through transformational partnerships.

MCC's Center for Arts and Community Enrichment (CACE) partnered with the Brush Rodeo Association to offer the Western Art Show July 2-4. Twenty artists participated in this year's show.

MCC took part in a "Back the Blue" community event August 8, collaborating with Morgan County law enforcement agencies. The objective was to strengthen community relations and foster a positive connection.

MCC was invited to provide the keynote speaker at the I-70 Corridor Chamber of Commerce August Lunch & Learn, held at May Farms in Byers. Bill Miller, MCC Precision Ag Faculty, shared about Precision Ag certificates and degrees available through the college.

Redefine our value proposition through accessibility, affordability, quality, accountability, resource development, and operational excellence.

MCC participated in a Back-to-School Bash in partnership with Morgan County Interagency Oversight Group (IOG) on July 27, in combination with a Thursday Night Live music event. Free K-12 school supplies and backpacks were distributed to families at the event.

The MCC Center for Arts and Community Enrichment provided an Asian Heritage Cultural Dragon Dancers' event in Fort Morgan's City Park. The Dragon Dancers performance of traditional dance, deeply rooted in Asian culture, embodied the spirit of prosperity, power, and good fortune. The event was offered free to the public.

