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Transform the student experience.

MCC Student Excellence Awards recipients include Jhoany Juarez and Daniel Serna (Rising Stars); Ahmed Aden (Inclusive Excellence Champion); and Khadro Abdi, Jacqueline Mendez, Alex Rivas, and Riley Sorensen, (PTK All-CO Academic Team).



MCC Mentors and Student Life students held a food drive to raise non-perishable items to restock the MCC Food Pantry. Weekly, more than 20 students access the food pantry to meet personal needs for groceries, toiletries, or snack items. The students' goal was to collect 300 non-perishable items over a two-week period, incentivized by a pizza party. The students exceeded their goal, collecting over 550 items.



Three concurrent enrollment students from the Burlington region are each expected to graduate with three degrees from MCC (AS, AA, and AGS) prior to their high school graduations! Their accomplishment is a tribute to the careful planning and advising of the MCC Burlington staff.

Five students joined MCC's chapter of the Phi Theta Kappa honor society this spring. An induction ceremony was held on April 3.



Transform our own workforce experience.

Dr. Jennifer Thistle, MCC Director of Nursing **Education and Division** Chair for Health Sciences, was selected as the recipient of the 2023 Leading by Example, MCC Guiding Principles Award. Jennifer was nominated by one of her peers for consistently displaying the attributes of integrity, respect, open and honest communication, and collaboration in her daily work.



In honor of Women's History Month, a virtual "Water Cooler Conversation" event focusing on the history of Women's Suffrage in Colorado was held for staff on March 31. In addition to incorporating a video about the suffrage movement, the event featured a live conversation with Colorado Representative Barbara McLachlan, Chair of the House Education Committee.

Create education without barriers through transformational partnerships.

MCC's Center for Arts and Community Enrichment (CACE) sponsored its annual Best of the Best Student Art Show March 2-23, working with local high school art teachers for student submissions. The art show featured the work of middle school, high school, and post-secondary students.

Continuing an MCC summer tradition, select classes will be offered tuition-free during summer semester, including Intro to Education and LIT 2005 Race, Ethnicity, Culture: AH2. Students who took advantage of previous tuition free courses have expressed gratitude for how this will help them achieve their educational goals.

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

The MCC Foundation recently established the Bank of Colorado Scholarship, Viola Bristol-Johnson Memorial Scholarship, and the Bill Hinkhouse Memorial Scholarship. These three scholarships will alleviate financial hardship and support student success.