College Receives $1.257 Million MoSTEMWINs Grant
Part of State Emphasis on Science-Technology-Engineering-Math

Jefferson College will receive $1.257 million as part of a $19.7 million federal grant awarded to the state’s community college consortium through the Missouri Community College Association to educate 1,900 Missourians in (STEM) science, technology, engineering, and math fields and expand the state’s ability to collect student data enrolled in workforce programs.

“Funding from the MoSTEMWINs grant will support Jefferson College’s effort to further prepare students for career success in high-demand fields, while introducing innovative academic support services aimed at retention and completion,” said Jefferson College President Dr. Raymond Cummiskey. “Ultimately, the MoWINs project is about getting people the skills and credentials necessary for good jobs while helping turn the tide of economic decline in our community and across the state.”

This marks the second time that Jefferson College has received funding through the statewide consortium grant application via the U.S. Department of Labor’s (TAACCT) Trade Adjustment Assistance Community College and Career Training Grant Program. The funding period will last through September of 2018.

Named MoSTEMWINs, the initiative specifically targets adult learners who are seeking new industry skill sets and career opportunities, especially those who have lost jobs because of foreign trade and other negative economic trends. It will train Missourians for jobs in transportation, manufacturing, information technology, health services/health sciences, and science support industry clusters.

“Through programs such as MoSTEMWINS, the state of Missouri and our community colleges have helped lead the nation in preparing students to step into good jobs in fast-growing fields,” said Governor Jay Nixon. “These grants will create further valuable opportunities for our students, and enhance Missouri’s economic competitiveness in the global marketplace.”

The consortium chose to focus on STEM related industries because of those jobs’ importance to the state’s strategic plan for economic growth and positive long-term employment prospects.

Jefferson College will focus its efforts in four areas:

- Offering of a one-year Certificate training program in Electronics Technology, with multiple pathways to move forward to an Associate of Applied Science degree and Bachelor of Science degree. The proposed coursework offers many opportunities to gain additional skill sets and credentials, while allowing participants the flexibility to jump into industry related work and/or continue on their educational pathway.

- Developing a Student Success Plan, incorporating MAP (My Academic Plan), with an early warning system, attendance tracking, recommendations through program advising/navigators, and access to campus and community resources to assist in retention and completion initiatives. Intentional advising will be used to ensure that participants are provided support/avenues-to-support to aid in removing barriers to success.

- Creating of a Health Sciences Tutoring and Resource Lab offering targeted assistance within Health Occupations programs, specifically prerequisite Anatomy and Physiology coursework, usage of the Anatomage table and online applications, open education resources, and use of gamified content to improve student engagement with subject matter.

- Developing a MoSTEMWINs online portal for information and communication as an extension of the Jefferson College website.

This marks the third time that Missouri has received the grant (MoHealthWINs in 2011 and MOManufacturingWINs in 2012) where some 6,200 Missourians have received training through those programs to date. Almost half of all participants were unemployed when they enrolled and over 40 percent of all participants are from minority populations.
Jefferson College Acknowledged for Leading Role in Jefferson County Certified Work Ready Community Initiative

In connection with Jefferson County’s designation as a Certified Work Ready Community, Governor Jay Nixon recently acknowledged the college’s leadership role during a recognition ceremony at LMC Industries in Arnold.

Jefferson is only the sixth county in Missouri to receive the CWRC designation and is also the largest county in the state and among of the largest in the nation to obtain this important designation which will enhance economic growth, employment opportunities, and educational skills attainment.

Jefferson County achieved “Certified Work Ready” status by exceeding state criteria for the number of residents obtaining National Career Readiness Certificates, which measures applied skills in several areas critical to being work ready, and by the number of businesses demonstrating support for the initiative.

The Certified Work Ready Community regional effort is designed to attract new jobs, strengthen connections between employers, job seekers, and related support systems, strengthen school-to-work connections, and provide a consistent and measurable assessment system in education. The initiative underscores the importance of a skilled workforce in Jefferson County, while creating a strong partnership to build an infrastructure that will create a pool of skilled workers for current and future employers.
Library Celebrates 30th Anniversary as Federal Depository

To commemorate its 30th anniversary as a selective depository in the Federal Depository Library Program (FDLP), the Jefferson College Library recently hosted a government documents open house and reception.

The celebration began with a flag ceremony by Cub Scout Pack 460, followed by comments from College President Dr. Raymond Cummiskey, Jefferson College Government Documents Librarian and Library Services Director Lisa Pritchard, Political Science Professor Dedrick Lee, State Representatives John McCaherty and TJ Mc Kenna, spokespersons for U.S. Representative Jason Smith and U.S. Senators Roy Blunt and Claire McCaskill, and Federal Depository Libraries Council Chair Marie Concannon.

The special day was also highlighted by an American bald eagle from the World Bird Sanctuary, dramatic reenactors, an exhibit of unusual and historic government documents, instruction on how to access free government documents and information through the Jefferson College FDL, and refreshments.

The Federal Depository Library Program was established by Congress to ensure that the American public has access to government information. Only 56 of the 1,200 federal depository libraries in the United States and its territories are housed at community colleges and Jefferson College is the state’s only community college facility that serves as a federal depository.

The Jefferson College Library was designated a selective Federal Depository Library in 1984 and for many years served as the only depository in Missouri’s Third Congressional District. The library provides access to information from federal agencies such as Homeland Security, the Department of the Interior, and the Department of Education, as well as access to Congressional committee reports and presidential papers.

One-of-a-Kind Finds: Art Department Pottery Sale Dec 3-4

The Art Department will hold its biannual student pottery sale in advance of the holidays on Wednesday, December 3, from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. and Thursday, December 4, from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. in the Ceramics Studio in the lower level of the Fine Arts Theatre on the Hillsboro campus.

The sale is open to everyone and will feature hundreds of handmade items including bowls, cups, vases, teapots, candle holders, plates, and sculptures at a variety of price levels. All items are one-of-a-kind pieces of art.

Only cash and checks will be accepted. Proceeds from the sale will be used to purchase new equipment and materials for use by students in pottery/ceramics classes. For more information about the sale, contact Pottery Instructor Anthony Borchardt at (636) 481-3365.
In connection with the college’s mission to provide educational experiences for even the youngest of ages, the Communication and Theatre Department will present the children’s theatre production “A Bagful of Fables” November 22-23 based on five popular Aesop’s Fables.

The play by Robert R. Lehan, produced by special arrangement with Pioneer Drama Service, Inc., will include “The Tortoise and the Hare,” “The Fox and the Grapes,” “The Sun and the Wind,” “The Wolf in Sheep’s Clothing,” and “The Fox and the Crow.” The lively play features audience participation and is suitable for all ages (especially pre-kindergarten through fifth grade).

Performances are Saturday, November 22, in the Fine Arts Theatre on the Hillsboro campus and Sunday, November 23, at Jefferson College Arnold in the Third Floor Community Room. Each performance begins at 2 p.m. Speech and Drama Assistant Professor Lisa-Pavia-Higel is directing the production.

Although both shows are open to everyone, the Arnold presentation will contain technical modifications designed especially for children on the autism spectrum. This is the first time that the college has presented a play in this manner. A parent packet with a social story and a complete list of accommodations for the show is available by request. Families can also schedule a familiarization visit to the Jefferson College Arnold Community Room. For more information, contact Lisa Pavia-Higel at (636) 481-3411 or lpaviahi@jeffco.edu.

Tickets for all shows are $2 for everyone. Reserved tickets may be purchased by calling (636) 481-3411 or email lpaviahi@jeffco.edu.
Additional 8-Week Teaching Assignments Approved for Fall

In employment matters, the Trustees approved a series of additional full-time faculty overload assignments and adjunct faculty assignments during the second eight weeks of the 2014 fall semester.

Changes Approved to Board Policies/Procedures

To reflect changes that were agreed upon during 2013-2014 Board Administration Team-Faculty Association Team negotiations, a series of Board Policies (II-001 Standards for Lawful Employment and VII-012 Non-Discrimination) and Procedures (II-001.2 Employee Conduct, II-001.5 Illegal Discrimination and Harassment Complaints (Including Sexual Harassment) and VII-012 Non-Discrimination and Complaint Procedure), were approved.

2014-15 BAT Negotiators Selected

In connection with the annual meet-and-confer process regarding faculty association issues, Trustees Krystal Hargis and John Winkelman were selected with administrators Daryl Gehbauer (team chair) and Shirley Davenport, along with Tasha Walsh ex-officio, as members of the Board Administration Team (BAT) for 2014-15.

Director of Learning Resources Position Reclassified

In connection with increased responsibilities of the Adult Education and Literacy (AEL) program, formerly (AEL/GED), to the Director of Learning Services, the Trustees approved an upgrade of the position held by Betty Linemann.

New Member Approved for Foundation Board

The Board of Trustees approved new Holcim Plant Manager John Goetz to replace former Plant Manager Keith Krugh who was transferred out of state.

Foundation Executive Director to Resign

As an information item, the Board received notice from Foundation Executive Director of Development Tom Burke who indicated that he will resign following the completion of his current contract, which ends June 30, 2015.

Upcoming Meetings

The Board of Trustees meets in public session on the second Thursday after the first Monday of each month. The final meeting date/time for 2014 is December 11 (5:30 p.m.) in the Administration building on the Hillsboro campus.
To celebrate those who have made significant contributions to the Jefferson College Foundation in support of Jefferson College and its students, the Foundation recently hosted its fourth Monticello Society recognition ceremony at the organization’s Ault house at Fox Run Golf Club.

Inductees for 2014 included Rick Vest/Vest Benefit Solutions and Holcim, Inc.

Each Monticello Society honoree received an engraved, pewter cup based on an original design by Thomas Jefferson. Attendees were also entertained by students from the college’s Music program, while enjoying gourmet refreshments prepared by Specialized Catering/Foodservice Consultants, Inc. donated by Foundation Board Member Mike Kumpf.

“The generosity and compassion of those who are being recognized through the Monticello Society underscores the belief that access to a college education can make the difference between failure and success in someone’s life,” said College President Dr. Raymond Cummiskey.

“Jefferson College and its students are extremely grateful for their level of support in helping to make our community better through the opportunity to receive a higher education.”

The Monticello Society meets annually to recognize new members whose generosity and loyalty has a great impact on Jefferson College. The Society’s members’ contributions to the Foundation since its inception in 1991—whether a bequest, in kind, planned giving, establishing a scholarship, or restricted/unrestricted cash—has a combined total of nearly $4 million.

The mission of the Jefferson College Foundation is to increase resources, raise funds, and cultivate friends and partnerships to support Jefferson College and its mission.
Monticello Society

Aluminum, Brick & Glass Workers Local #63
Ameren Missouri
Amvets Auxiliary Post 48
AT&T Missouri
David Ault
Big River Ladies Auxiliary Post #5331
The Family of Earl R. Blackwell
Bloomsdale Excavating, Inc.
Dale and Cathy Boemler
Mark A. Buehrle
Tom and Vicki Burke
Community Health Center of Jefferson County
Commerce Bank & The William T. Kemper Foundation
Robert Dewoskin
Dobbs Tire & Auto Centers
Dow Chemical Company
Eagle Bank & Trust Company
First State Community Bank
Govero Land Services, Inc.
Dr. Julia C. Hampton
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Holcim Inc.
Home Builders Association
Hopson Lumber Company
Branton and D. Jane Houser
Jefferson Regional Medical Center
Jefferson County Veterans Memorial Committee
Jefferson County Democrats
Jefferson County Sheriff’s Office
Krieg, Lohbeck & Company
Lillian A. Mangelsdorf
William and Debbie McKenna
Missouri Natural Gas Company
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Judith A. Riddle
Larry and Beverly Sapaugh
Charles and Anna Sheehan
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Twin City Area Optimists Club
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**SUNLIGHT-FILLED RECESS**

*Fall Children’s Play*
2 P.M.
JCA Room 323

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**Thanksgiving Recess**
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**POTTERY SALE**
Wed. 10 A.M. – 6 P.M. / Thurs. 10 A.M. – 4 P.M.
Fine Arts Building, Ceramics Studio

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**Christmas Music**
11:45 A.M.
Student Center
Viking Room

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**Dodgeball Fundraiser**
10 A.M. - 4 P.M.
Field House - Gym

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**Study Abroad Information Session**
1 P.M.
SC Viking Room

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**Basketball vs. Southeastern Illinois**
6 P.M.
Fine Arts Theatre

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**Jefferson College Concert Band “Winter Classics”**
7:30 P.M.
Fine Arts Theatre

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**Spirit of St. Louis Barbershop Chorus**
3 P.M.
Fine Arts Theatre

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