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MVCTC Students Participate in National Competition in California

San Francisco, CA – Miami Valley Career Technology Center (MVCTC) Financial Management students Alexis Burt (Trotwood-Madison) and James McConnell (Northmont) competed in the National SAGE (Students for the Advancement of Global Entrepreneurship) Competition in San Francisco, CA the end of May 2009.

Alexis and James were accompanied on the trip by MVCTC Financial Management instructor, Carrie Wiant. They had the opportunity to participate in the SAGE USA competition after placing second in the SAGE Ohio competition. Alexis and James gave a 15-minute presentation on the Student Run Credit Union at MVCTC, and then they had five minutes to answer questions presented by a panel of 30 judges. The MVCTC team placed sixth in the national competition.

Mrs. Wiant said of the completion, “Alexis and James did a great job at the competition. This was MVCTC’s first year participating in the program and I am very proud that they were able to compete in the national competition.”

SAGE is an international network that links teams of secondary school students to nearby university students, business leaders, and civic leaders. The SAGE Competition challenges students to develop an entrepreneurial venture that promotes social awareness, global components, civic engagement, environmental stewardships, and the use of media.

A student in the MVCTC Financial Management Program will learn the fundamentals of accounting using computer programs such as, Peachtree, QuickBooks, and Microsoft Excel. In addition, students learn Microsoft Office software, financial planning, and test their accounting knowledge by completing

mini-practice sets and accounting simulations. Students in this program also have the opportunity to work in the student run FirstDay Credit Union on the MVCTC campus and earn hands-on training in a real financial institution. After completing the two-year program, students will be able to pursue a career as an accounting clerk, bank teller, bookkeeper, or payroll clerk, and with additional education may be able to become a financial consultant or even a Certified Public Accountant (CPA). For more information about the Financial Management Program or any of the other exciting 49 career programs offered at MVCTC, please visit www.mvctc.com.

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Photo: MVCTC Financial Management students James McConnell (Northmont) and Alexis Burt (Trotwood) placed sixth in the SAGE USA competition in San Francisco, CA.