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MVCTC Voice of Democracy Essay Contest Winners Announced

Clayton, Ohio – The Miami Valley Career Technology Center (MVCTC) announced the winners of the 2010 Voice of Democracy– Veterans of Foreign Wars patriotic Essay competition. **Kevin Jones**, a senior in Architectural/Engineering Technology from **Jefferson**, won first place and \$150. **Chance Marker**, a junior in the Computer Technology Academy from **Tri-County North**, won second place and \$100. In a tie for third place and each receiving \$50 are **Brittany Anderson**, a senior in Allied Health Technologies Tech Prep from **Huber Heights**, and **Drew Hoke**, a junior in Allied Health Technologies Tech prep from **New Lebanon**.

The Voice of Democracy Speech Contest at MVCTC is each year in conjunction with Veterans Day. Their essays were judged as winners by the VFW Post 5018 located on Free Pike in Dayton. Post member John W. Mays, an MVCTC volunteer, and David Sanford, an MVCTC social studies and English instructor, organized the competition. The first place winner will go on to compete in the 3rd District of the VFW in Ohio in December at their mid-winter conference. The first place winner at the district level will compete at the state level, and the first place state winner will compete in Washington, DC. According to Mr. Mays, "The intent is that these awards would be used to further the student's education in college. Students could be eligible for scholarship awards up to \$30,000."

MVCTC offers rigorous academic preparation and hands-on career technical training for high school junior and senior students in the Miami Valley. For more information about career technical programs offered at MVCTC, please visit www.mvctc.com or www.facebook.com/mvctc.

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