

**NCCMC to participate in federal grant to offer specialized instructor for manufacturing related jobs**

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Governor Jay Nixon announced today that Missouri Community Colleges will invest \$15,000,000 through MoManufacturingWINs, a statewide training network that will create opportunities for Missourians to obtain the specialized training they need to begin a career in modern manufacturing.

With the Governor's leadership and support, nine of Missouri's public two-year colleges collaborated through the Missouri Community College Association to apply for these federal job training funds. These colleges will work together to implement a rigorous certification training model endorsed by the National Association of Manufacturers to enable students to earn industry-recognized credentials to obtain good-paying jobs upon certification and graduation.

The Governor made the announcement during a visit to Metropolitan Community College's Business and Technology campus, where he toured advanced manufacturing training classrooms and visited with students.

The colleges estimate that MoManufacturingWINs will provide educational opportunities for approximately 3,300 additional Missourians, including unemployed adult learners who are seeking new career opportunities.

The nine colleges that will participate in the statewide consortium are East Central College (Union), Linn State Technical College (Linn), Metropolitan Community College (Kansas City), Mineral Area College (Park Hills), North Central Missouri College (Trenton), Ozarks Technical Community College (Springfield), State Fair Community College (Sedalia), St. Charles Community College and St. Louis Community College.

This statewide consortium of community colleges will use these funds to develop or expand training programs in modern manufacturing, which is a targeted industry under the Missouri Strategic Initiative for Economic Growth. The application focused on this industry because it offers immediate and long-term employment opportunities and good-paying jobs.

With the opportunity to acquire additional skill certifications such as the National Career Readiness Certificate, this approach will make graduates more skilled and competitive job seekers. MoManufacturingWINs will also support implementation of "stackable credentials" in five critical areas: Production, Industrial Maintenance, Welding, Machining, and Transportation & Logistics.