

Policy Title: COLLEGE PURPOSES

Mid-State Technical College is a principled organization that operates with high standards and a focus on continuous quality improvement. The College and all of our employees are guided by a set of Core Values that guide our actions. We work diligently to weave our core values into the fabric of everything we do.

We provide a program of technical and general education necessary for employment, citizenship, and personal development. We promote professional development and life-long learning.

We provide relevant technical education and training to enhance skills and promote career expansion and progression, through the examination of course and program offerings, by responding quickly and effectively to the changing requirements of the working environments within the global community.

We believe students need general education skills in order to succeed in career and life. Recognizing this fundamental importance, general education coursework is provided to give students effective communication, mathematics, scientific thinking and global social skills.

In addition, Mid-State Technical College, consistent with statutorily mandated purposes, holds to the following purposes:

- Deliver (a) Associate Degree, Diploma, and (b) certificate-level educational programs which provide the skills and knowledge necessary to address occupational competencies from initial job-entry to advanced certification.
- Provide training and education to upgrade the occupational skills of individuals and the business and industry work force.
- Offer related academic and technical support courses for joint labor/management apprenticeship programs.
- Design and deliver customized training, consulting services, and technical assistance in partnership with public and private sector employers to further economic development.
- Provide community services and avocational or self-enrichment activities.

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- Collaborate with secondary schools, colleges, and universities to enable students' smooth passage between educational systems.
- Provide (a) basic skills programming and (b) counseling services necessary to enhance the success of students.
- Offer educational programming and supportive services for special populations to address barriers prohibiting participation in education and employment.