

Welcome Back!

The Montgomery County Intermediate Unit (MCIU) Career Connections team is excited to welcome schools, students, and business partners back for another great school year!

Together, we are building stronger bridges between education and the workforce. Through meaningful collaboration, hands-on experiences, and shared commitment, we can empower students to explore career pathways, gain real-world skills, and connect with local employers.

The purpose of this quarterly newsletter is to keep everyone informed of different initiatives, programs and accomplishments of our team, schools and businesses throughout the program year.

We look forward to another year of impactful partnerships and innovative opportunities for our community.

If you are not already a business member of the MCIU Career Connections, please take some to check us out here: www.mciucc.org and to Register Here: https://www.mciucc.org/register#sp-registerBusiness

College and Career Leadership Council (CCLC) Meeting Dates:

All local businesses are invited to attend, speak and collaborate with our schools! Email <u>Dchominski@mciu.org</u> directly if you are interested in attending.

- Tuesday, September 30, 2025 | 9:30 11:00 AM
- Tuesday, November 11, 2025 | 9:30 11:00 AM (In-Person)
 - Tuesday, February 3, 2026 | 9:30 11:00 AM
 - Tuesday, April 7, 2026 | 9:30 11:00 AM (In-Person)

Upcoming Events

JumpStart Series: All Year

To Schools

JumpStart Series: Connecting Seniors to Real World Opportunities

The JumpStart Series is a multi-event initiative designed to prepare high school seniors for life beyond graduation by connecting them directly with local employers. Through a series of curated experiences — including a fall Networking Night, spring Career Exploration Tours, and a Hiring & Opportunity Fair — students will gain insight, build relationships, and take meaningful steps toward future employment or training. Whether they're college bound, career-focused, or exploring options, JumpStart gives every student the chance to start strong.

Explore. Connect. Launch.

To Employers

JumpStart Series: Invest in Your Future Workforce

The JumpStart Series kicks off this fall with a dynamic Networking Night designed to connect local employers with motivated high school seniors preparing to enter the workforce. This is a unique opportunity for businesses to build early relationships with future talent, share industry insights, and spark interest in your career pathways. Whether you're looking to hire, promote internships, or simply support career readiness in your community, JumpStart offers a direct line to the next generation of workers. Join us and help shape a pipeline of local, career-ready talent — right from the source.

Connect early. Build relationships. Strengthen your workforce.

JumpStart Networking: Flyer Coming Soon! Registration Link Below!

• Date: Tuesday, October 28, 2025 Location: MCIU

• Employer-to-student ratio: 1 to 4–5 students

• Introductions, networking rotations, and promotion of career opportunities will take place throughout the day.

Businesses Register Here: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdOPZV-aW5CYpcavnPemzuwdjq6Z7yC5 mVYEG6 VpFc26Pg/viewform

Schools Register Here: https://forms.gle/FLohQNLTR2Sjjisc6

JumpStart Tours & Job Shadows

Date: December 2025 – April 2026
Location: Participating businesses

- Schools and businesses can set up tours and job shadowing opportunities throughout this period.
- District-organized Job Shadows & Tours: December to April. Interested businesses can sign up through the MCIU CC website!

Through the MCIU JumpStart Series, the MCIU can fully fund transportation.

JumpStart Hiring Event

 Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2026 | 9:00 AM – 1:30 PM Location: MCIU Open to seniors beyond the original cohort. Students will sign up in advance for time slots with employers.

Teacher in the Workplace

• Date: June 23–25, 2026 Focus: Advanced Manufacturing

THREE full days of hands-on workplace learning designed to connect educators with the skills, careers, and industry needs that can be shared back in the classroom.

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• Application Window Opens: Late January 2026

Thank you!!

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