

NOCTI and MAVCC Collaborate to Provide Comprehensive Instructional Tools for CTE

NOCTI and MAVCC recently announced their collaboration to offer comprehensive instructional tools for various CTE programs. The two organizations each offer critical components for preparing students for a diverse, high performance workforce. This collaboration capitalizes on two national service providers and builds on the strengths of each organization to create a win-win solution for the CTE community by aligning national standards and curriculum to national assessments.

The collaboration will begin by focusing on two primary areas including Culinary Arts and HVAC/R. NOCTI and MAVCC are completing cross walking activities to align the MAVCC Culinary curriculum with NOCTI's Culinary assessments. Once the alignment process is complete, the crosswalk information will be available through both the MAVCC and NOCTI websites.

The second area will center around HVAC/R and will incorporate two additional national organizations in the CTE field – the North American Technicians of Excellence (NATE) and the Air Conditioning, Heating and Refrigeration Institute (AHRI). This four partner collaboration's initial concept is to align the MAVCC curriculum, which was developed under the auspices of NATE and AHRI with NOCTI's national HVAC/R assessment. This collaboration has the potential of expanding to include various online delivery options and credential opportunities with leading industry support.

Dr. John Foster, NOCTI CEO said, "We are extremely excited to be working with an organization of the caliber of MAVCC; together we can provide tools that will enhance the quality of CTE programs nationwide." Jane Huston, Executive Director of MAVCC added, "We look forward to working with NOCTI and combining our organizations' expertise and resources to build a strong instructional system."

About NOCTI

NOCTI provides curricular and instructional improvement tools for secondary and postsecondary institutions. In addition to over 75 standardized assessments, NOCTI also works with customers to create customized solutions. Services include job and task analysis, assessment construction, assessment delivery, score reporting, score interpretation and professional development workshops. The Whitener Group, a subsidiary of NOCTI, addresses the needs of business/industry by offering customized solutions to enhance workplace productivity.

About MAVCC

For over 30 years, MAVCC has been recognized as a leading provider of career and technical instructional materials that help prepare students for a diverse, high performance workforce. In addition to providing high quality print products for teachers and students for a variety of career and technical education programs, MAVCC also offers CDs, interactive tests, site licenses, an interactive safety training series and professional development workshops.