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West-MEC welcomes students back for 2022-23 school year

Glendale, Ariz. (August 2022) -- West-MEC, a career and technical education public school district, is excited to have students return to class for the start of the 2022-23 school year.

Most programs will begin today, August 3, after a two-month long summer break, except for Culinary, EMT and Fire Science Programs, which start later in the month. Aviation and Aesthetics programs began on Monday.

All programs available are taught by industry experts and prepare students for certification and industry credential exams. In the 2021-22 school year, 96% of students who attended West-MEC received at least one industry credential.

“We are very excited to have our students returning for their second year and equally excited to welcome our new students to West-MEC. Our staff has been working hard to prepare. We had tremendous attendance at our student and parent orientations last week and we look forward to another highly successful school year in Career and Technical Education,” said Northeast Campus Administrator David Svorinic. “We honor the commitment that our students are making and fully realize that students and families are making present day sacrifices to provide for a better future and we are grateful to be part of these journeys.”

West-MEC CTE programs are based on in-demand industry skills and open opportunities to various pathways, including direct employment, further education, and entrepreneurship. Apart from the hands-on learning, students train in leadership and professionalism.

“Nearly as exciting as the last day of school when we educators get to see those who we have helped on their journey take their next step, the first day of school stands out as one of the best events of the year. Its the beginning, where the seeds are put into the ground,” said Southwest Campus Administrator Aaron Parsons.

West-MEC serves over 48 schools with over 37,000 students through Central Programs within West-MEC’s four campuses and Satellite programs within West-MEC’s 14

Member School Districts. Back-to-school information, including important dates, class timings, and guidelines, can be found on www.west-mec.edu.

About West-MEC:

West-MEC is a career technical education public school district focusing solely on innovative career and technical education (CTE) programs that prepare students to enter the workforce and pursue continuing education. West-MEC CTE programs provide students opportunities to earn college credit and industry credentials. West-MEC serves more than 37,000 students from 48 high schools across 3,800 square miles in the northern and western cities of the Phoenix Metropolitan area. West-MEC now also offers adult education programs. Visit www.west-mec.edu for more information about West-MEC's career-driven education opportunities, or follow us on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.

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