

Massasoit Community College Opens New Science Lab at Middleborough Center

In a ribbon cutting ceremony on Wednesday, May 8, Massasoit Community College, Higher Education Partners and Middleborough Public Schools celebrated the opening of a new biology/life sciences laboratory and additional classrooms at Massasoit's Middleborough Center.

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Middleborough, Massachusetts (May 10, 2013) – On Wednesday, May 8 Massasoit Community College, Higher Education Partners, LLC and Middleborough Public Schools celebrated the opening of the expansion of the Massasoit Community College Middleborough Center at 49 Union Street which the College opened in the fall of 2010. "We are very excited to see this new lab open at the Middleborough Center. It will create opportunity for many students in the area. HEP considers its partnership with Massasoit an investment in people, not buildings," said Gerry Kavanaugh, President of Higher Education Partners.

For the first time, the College will offer a full array of courses in Middleborough for both Summer I and Summer II from Accounting to Biology to Mathematics and American Sign Language. Summer I begins on May 28 and Summer II begin on July 8.

The two new classrooms and new life sciences lab has made it possible for students wishing to stay in Middleborough to complete an associate degree without needing to travel to another campus location. The College plans to continue the expansion of classrooms, labs and programming as enrollment at the Middleborough Center continues to grow. "This is phase 2, there will be a phase 3 and phase 4. We are proud of the public, public, private partnership that has enabled us to grow in Middleborough and look forward to continuing to serve Middleborough and the region," said Dr. Charles Wall, President of Massasoit Community College.

Founded in 1966, in the heart of southeastern Massachusetts, Massasoit Community College is a public two-year college in the Massachusetts Public Higher Education System. It is accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC), one of the six regional accrediting bodies in the United States. Many departments carry additional accreditations. The College offers a full spectrum of associate's degree programs in arts, sciences, and applied sciences as well as one year and short term certificates across a variety of occupations and interests. In addition the College offers corporate and job skills training courses.

Higher Education Partners (HEP) is a private firm that provides facility and operations expansion funding to colleges. With this partnership, the College will be able to utilize a new life sciences lab with preparation space and further build-out of instructional space. Adding this science lab will enable the College to offer full degree completion in concentrations including Business, Child Care, Criminal Justice and Liberal Arts. This will be a great benefit to commuter students providing them the opportunity to earn a degree close to home.

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L to R: Gerry Kavanaugh, President of Higher Education Partners, Pamerson Ifill, Chair, Massasoit Community College Board of Trustees, Roseli Weiss, Superintendent, Middleborough Public Schools, Wayne Perkins, former Middleborough Selectman and former Massasoit Community College Trustee, and Dr. Charles Wall, President, Massasoit Community College cut the ribbon on the new lab of the Massasoit Middleborough Center in the former Lincoln D. Lynch School.

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Lab Equipment

