

Frequently Asked Questions

1. If I have attended MCTI in the past, do I need to complete the Health History, Registration and Departure Policy forms again?

Yes! We need the most up to date information to best serve you. Also, when these forms are returned, we know that you are planning on attending MCTI. If **we do not receive** the Health History, Registration and Departure Policy forms, we may assume you are not planning to attend.

2. Will I be assigned a dorm room and roommate prior to my arrival?

No. You will not be assigned a dorm room or roommate until you arrive to campus on registration day.

3. Will I have to go home/move out of the dorm at the end of the term?

At the end of a term, MCTI dorms close 1-2 weeks prior to the beginning of the next term. Students are not able to stay in their dorm rooms if the dorms are closed. If a student is invited to continue on to the following term, students do not need to move out of their dorm room. We do encourage students to take home any valuables with them. If a student is graduating or not returning for another term in their training program, they must move completely out of their dorm room at the end of the term.

4. Does MCTI have Wi-Fi in the dorm rooms and what is the cost?

Yes, Wi-Fi is free in the dorm rooms.

5. What is the Career Readiness Center (CRC) or Career Assessment Services (CAS)?

MCTI provides evaluation and remediation services to give students the necessary supports to successfully complete their program. The Career Readiness Center is comprised of vocational evaluation services This program is currently only available virtually.

The purpose of the Career Readiness Center is to both determine a student's aptitudes and abilities as well as to prepare students with skills and strategies necessary to successfully participate and compete in vocational training opportunities at the post-secondary level.

Vocational evaluation, standardized testing and situational work assessments are used to assist with determining a student's aptitudes and abilities. Vocational counseling is provided to identify values, strengths, and vocational direction. In collaboration with the student, a recommendation is made to pursue occupational training at MCTI, on the job training, or further education. Students are encouraged to realistically assess their career decisions in relation to ability, needs, and expectations, and adjust if necessary.

6. Why do I have to fill out the Free Application for Financial Student Aid (FAFSA)? MRS is paying for my education.

Most of our students' education is paid for by the Michigan Rehabilitation Service (MRS). This means that tuition, classroom materials, room and board are provided at no charge to our students. Filling out the FAFSA is a requirement for MCTI's trade students.

MCTI receives Pell Grant funds from the Federal Financial Aid Program to help offset education costs and help enhance classroom instruction. For MCTI to receive these funds, we need our students and their parents to fill out the FAFSA. Your help in filling out the FAFSA helps MCTI and MRS to be able to continue to provide a quality education at no cost for our students. Pell Grant funds will not be given to students.

To complete the FAFSA, please visit their website www.fafsa.ed.gov

7. When will I start my training program?

Our 13 training programs enroll 4 times per year. After a student completes CAS, they will be placed on the enrollment list for the next available opening in their approved training program. Our training programs have a capacity to ensure proper student to staff ratio, so there may be a wait to enter into a training program

8. Can I complete training in more than one trade?

Once a student completes a training program, they are not eligible to be enrolled in another program. On a case by case basis, if a student's disability changes, making them not able to work in the field we trained them in, we may allow a student to return for another training program. This would be at the discretion of MCTI Admissions and Career & Tech Education Manager.

9. I do not have transportation on Registration day, can I come the day before?

Students are not able to come before their registration date. The Comfort Inn (269-685-9891), located in Plainwell, is about 15 minutes away from campus. If a student stays at the Comfort Inn the night before registration, we will provide transportation from the hotel to our campus on Monday for registration. If you need to be picked up from the Comfort Inn or bus/train station in Kalamazoo, please contact our dorm office at 269-664-9202 to request a ride.