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MTI East Campus Dental Assisting News:

Student earns one of only ten ADA scholarships awarded in the U.S. and 100% of the 2011 graduating class passes the National Board CDA exam

(Bradenton, FL—June 17, 2011) Jamie Yucha, a dental assisting student at Manatee Technical Institute’s East Campus, is one of only 10 students in the United States to be awarded the American Dental Association scholarship for students pursuing careers in dentistry, dental hygiene, dental assisting and dental laboratory technology.

To win this award, Yucha submitted a detailed application and essay, held a 3.5 GPA, and was nominated by her instructors. The scholarships are awarded to help cover school expenses, such as tuition, fees, books and supplies.

“Jamie is a model student. I have no doubt she will continue to soar as she furthers her career in dentistry,” said Kimberly Bland, Dental Assisting Program Director.

Jamie was a state finalist in several leadership competitions in both Health Occupations Students of America (HOSA) and SkillsUSA and will be representing Florida and MTI at the HOSA National Leadership Conference in Anaheim, California this month.

In other MTI news, the dental assisting 2011 graduating class sat for the Dental Assisting National Board Certified Dental Assistant Exam this week and had a 100% pass rate on the first attempt.

For more information about the Dental Assisting program at MTI, please contact Kathy Matthews at matthewsk@manateeschools.net or (941)752-8100, ext 227.

About Manatee Technical Institute

Manatee Technical Institute is fully accredited by the Council on Occupational Education and the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. It is a postsecondary career and technical education center under the School District of Manatee County offering over 40 career preparation programs. The mission of Manatee Technical Institute is to meet and exceed our community’s training and educational expectations. MTI is a 2007 Tampa Bay Business of the Year, and its students have won more SkillsUSA medals than any other school in the nation for the past seven years.

Photo: Dental Assisting student and ADA Foundation Scholarship recipient Jamie Yucha in the dental lab at MTI.

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