

MTI Inducts 169 in National Technical Honor Society

(Bradenton, FL—April 15, 2010) Manatee Technical Institute inducted 169 students into the National Technical Honor Society last Wednesday night. It was the largest group of inductees since the school started the honor society chapter in 1997.

The 169 were nominated by their instructors for their skill, honesty, service, responsibility, scholarship, citizenship and leadership. They represent the top twelve percent of the students currently enrolled in career preparation certificate programs at MTI. The motto of the NTHS is “Success Favors the Prepared Mind.”

Superintendent Tim McGonegal, director of adult, career and technical education Doug Wagner, and MTI director Mary Cantrell congratulated each student as they received their pin.

McGonegal thanked the families instructors for their roles in the students’ success and Wagner applauded the students for their wise decisions to learn technical skills for today’s job demands. Cantrell made opening and closing remarks.

MTI guidance counselor and NTHS advisor Vickie Miller led the ceremony assisted by career counselors Ronai Krugh, Kathy Matthews and Jeannell Copeland.

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 has won more SkillsUSA medals than any other school in the nation for the past six years.

Photo: Students hold lit candles to prepare to say the honor society pledge during the MTI National Technical Honor Society induction. Pictured left to right, (front) are medical assisting student Tarra Driskell and massage therapy student Harley Kroll; (back) welding student Brad Clarkson and web design students Lauren Angelilo and Cedanio Bacon. The candle-lighting ceremony symbolizes passing the light of knowledge. Over 150 MTI students pledged to uphold the standards of the national organization.

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