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Students to Host Open House on “Cinco de Mayo”

(Bradenton, FL—May 2, 2011) On May 5, SkillsUSA students will host an open house from 9 a.m. to 11a.m. to showcase Manatee Technical Institute’s Adult Education program. The community is welcome. Tours and refreshments will be provided. Students will be showing videos, playing music and performing dances to celebrate “Cinco de Mayo” and the students’ many cultures.

Throughout the year, the SkillsUSA students hosted six other open houses to showcase the career and technical education programs offered at MTI. Students were responsible for presenting their programs. They made presentations, gave hands-on demonstrations, and fielded questions from their visitors.

In addition to career and technical education, MTI offers adult basic education (ABE), English as a second language (ESL), and GED preparation classes for adults, 18 years and older. These are the classes that will be highlighted on May 5.

Among the programs showcased in previous open houses were Construction Trades, Marine Technology, Applied Welding and Boat Building, Business Technology, Network Support Services and Web Design, Automotive Technology, Electronics Technology and Major Appliance Repair, Barbering, Nails Specialty, Facials Specialty and Cosmetology, Nursing Assistant, Precision Machining and Drafting, and Culinary Arts and Travel and Tourism.

The primary audience for these open houses was high school students. If anyone from the community is interested in seeing any of these programs on May 5, students will be available for tours.

For more information, call the Adult Education office at 751-7900, ext 2215.

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.

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