

MCCC important for community

On Nov. 4 voters will be asked to allow the Community College District of Monroe County to levy an additional 1 mill in perpetuity for general operating purposes for Monroe County Community College.

An additional \$1 for every \$1,000 in assessed value for the purpose of continuing a half century of educational excellence.

So many pillars of this community, including judicial, prosecutorial, professional, medical, banking, skilled and business professionals have begun their educational careers at MCCC. Others have completed their degrees from distinguished universities onsite at the MCCC campus.

For 50 years, MCCC has been the platform from which so many have jumped beyond their limitations and into a professional or technical career. The continuing evolution and creation of new technologies will result in occupations with names we cannot spell and technologies we have not yet heard. Regardless of the pronunciation the epicenter of all such required training for our sons and daughters will be located within the walls and corridors of the MCCC campus, as it has been since 1964.

To paraphrase Winston Churchill, MCCC has trained and prepared so many for so long in so many occupations. It would be a mistake to deny this request for an investment in the future of all succeeding generations.

The 30-plus-year legacy of the last millage increase lends to a sense of comfort in proximity to fiscal responsibility. The personal results of such an education lends to a feeling of trust; from this trust comes a shared sense of responsibility to ensure all such educational opportunities remain for those who will succeed me. I encourage support of this request.

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