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THE SENIOR SCOOP

POST-SECONDARY INFORMATION

Congratulations Seniors! In a few weeks you will begin your transition into the next phase of your life. This issue of the Senior Scoop is dedicated to giving you the information you need for a successful transition.

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College or University

Things to consider:

- What are the entrance requirements for admission?
- You can earn an Associate's Degree with transfer option
- Minimum time to complete a degree is 2 years at a community college
- Total cost to earn an Associate's Degree: \$6,000 - \$10,000
- Minimum time to complete a Bachelor's Degree: 4 to 6 years
- Total cost to earn a Bachelor's Degree: \$84,000 - \$110,000
- [HFC Virtual Next Steps Meeting](#): May 19th
- [WCCD Virtual Next Steps Meeting](#): May 20th
- [Community College Checklist](#)
- [University checklist](#)

SPOTLIGHT: POST-SECONDARY EDUCATIONAL OPTIONS

SHORT TERM CERTIFICATE

One way of getting into a future career quickly is through a professional certificate. Stackable credentials are multiple certificates you can take that combined make you highly employable.

Things to consider:

- Earn Certificate with option for stacking credentials
- Average time to complete: 1 year
- Total cost to earn Professional Certificate: \$3,000 - \$5,000
- Some benefits are you will only complete courses in the occupation area
- One certificate gets you hired.

These are just a few short term certificate programs:

- [Focus Hope](#)
- [Schoolcraft College](#)
- [Henry Ford College](#)
- [WCCCD](#)



TRADE SCHOOLS

Here are some things to considering a trade school:

- Specialize in a specific career or trade
- Experts in the field teach the courses
- Short-term programs (1 to 2 years)
- Credits rarely transfer to colleges
- High rate of employment

These are just a few trade schools in your area that specialize in:

- [Massage therapy](#)
- [Pharmacy Tech.](#)
- [Barber or Cosmetology](#)
- [Heating and Cooling \(HVAC\)](#)
- [Phlebotomy \(Blood Draw\)](#)
- [Information Technology or Computers](#)



POST SECONDARY TRAINING OPTIONS

APPRENTICESHIPS

Apprenticeships are an opportunity for students to "earn while you learn". They are growing in popularity with employers to meet the workforce need for trained talent.

Benefits

- You can earn a salary right out of high school
- Employer pays for your training and schooling. You finish the program **debt free!**
- You are eligible for health insurance & retirement investment plans
- You can receive raises in your wages
- Finish the program earning a journeyman's card which is referred to as "the other four year degree"
- Apprenticeships are in many fields. Visit Apprenticeship.gov for more information.



NEWS ALERT: MLTAI Apprenticeship Career Chat on May 11th at 6 pm. Click [here](#) to register.

ARMED FORCES

Get on the job training for over hundreds of different jobs. Click on the logos below to find out more about the jobs, training and benefits at each branch of the U.S. Armed Forces.

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DIRECT EMPLOYMENT

Are you thinking of looking for a job after graduation? Below are steps to consider trying to get hired.

- Create a [resume](#). You can view [sample resumes](#) for ideas.
- Create a [cover letter](#)
- Write down contact info for 3 people that can be a reference for you. They will need to vouch for your work ethic & character.
- Search for jobs Some options are MiTalent & Indeed. Click on the logos below for a direct link.



- [Networking](#) can help you learn about jobs before they are posted. Social media sites such as Linked In can be a powerful tool in the job search process.
- Think about creating an [Elevator Pitch](#)
- [Interview Tips](#)
- Prepare for a potential [video interview](#).

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