

The cost of going to college should never be a barrier to obtaining an education. Marion Technical College has always been one of the best values among Ohio colleges, and our Choose Ohio First Program makes MTC even more affordable.

FINANCIAL AID WEBSITES

www.mtc.edu

The Marion Technical College web site, with online financial aid application and FAFSA link.

www.studentaid.ed.gov

Find information on funding your education, applying for financial aid, FAFSA on the Web, and more.

www.collegeboard.com

Tips on preparing for college, financial aid information, and more.

www.finaid.org

A comprehensive financial aid information site.

www.marioncommunityfoundation.org

The Marion area scholarship web site.

www.fastweb.com

This is a free scholarship search site. The student must complete a profile and have an e-mail address to receive a list of matches.

www.scholarships.com

This is a free scholarship search site. A profile must be created and search results will provide links for information on how to apply.

<https://www.ohiohighered.org/cof>

The Ohio Higher Education website; an overview of Choose Ohio First.

Did you know?

- 77% of MTC students qualify for some type of college financial aid.
- Last year, MTC provided students over \$6.7 million in scholarships, grants, loans, work and other financial aid.
- Numerous area agencies, service clubs, organizations and employers offer financial assistance for MTC students.

NOTE: This brochure may be copied as needed. Applicants should keep a copy of this brochure. MTC reserves the right to change this scholarship as financial conditions warrant.

QUESTIONS? CONNECT WITH US.

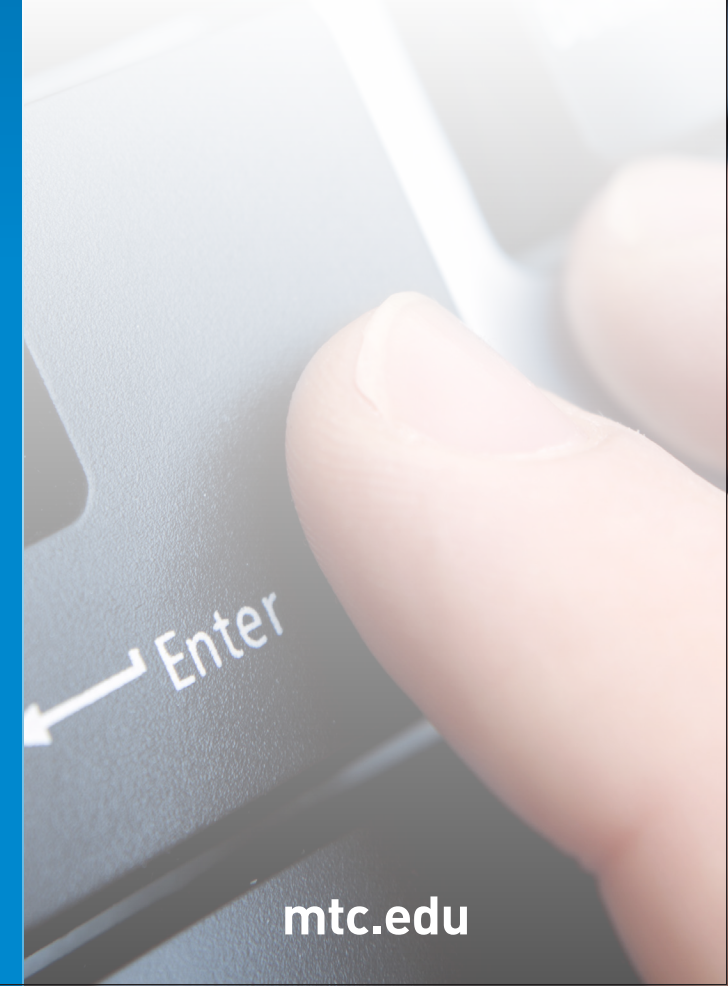
CALL: 740-389-4636
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VISIT: 1467 Mt. Vernon Ave
Marion, OH 43302

Our mission is to provide the region's most accessible, supportive, and personal pathway to career success.
Marion Technical College provides equal opportunities regardless of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, age, military status, or sexual orientation.

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Technical College

Choose **Ohio** First

**Scholarships up to \$1,500
for Information Technology Majors**



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What is Choose Ohio First?

Choose Ohio First (COF) is an initiative put forth by the Ohio Department of Higher Education to bolster support for the next generation of Ohio STEMM (Science, technology, engineering, mathematics, and medicine education) scholars and industry-leaders.

COF awards competitive scholarship funding to Ohio's colleges and universities to support undergraduate and qualifying graduate students in innovative academic programs.

Who is Eligible?

- Undergraduate Ohio residents or Ohio residents returning to Ohio for graduate school after completing undergraduate studies in other states or countries.
- Scholars enrolled in full-time study.
- First year students only (first time degree-seeking at MTC) at the date of initial COF cohort awards (subsequent years of funding are possible, provided scholars maintain compliance with program requirements and funding continues through Marion Technical College).
- Student must major in one of MTC's eligible major COF programs of study: Software Development, Networking, and Cyber Security.
- Former College Credit Plus (CCP) students are welcome to apply.

COF Scholarship Awards

All recipients who maintain eligibility will receive:

1. Up to \$1,500 per year.
2. A first dollar scholarship covering cost of tuition and fees.
3. Support from all areas of the college including career services, tutoring, advising, the Sherpa Program, and special meetings for the cohort.



What are the requirements?

To maintain eligibility, students must:

1. Be a full-time student.
2. Maintain a GPA of 3.0
3. Be enrolled in an IT specific major (Software Development, Networking, and Cyber Security).
4. Complete the FAFSA.
5. Meet with an advisor and complete your schedule.
6. Meet once per term as a cohort of COF recipients to learn about services available to them at MTC.

Choose Ohio First Essay Requirements

All applicants must submit a **150-500 word essay** addressing the question: **"What's next for you and the world of Information Technology?"**

Explain the impact you believe the Choose Ohio First Program would have on you during your path to degree completion, and where an earned degree from MTC may take you next.

Please complete your essay in a separate typed document that includes your full name and contact information, and include with this application.

CHOOSE OHIO FIRST PROGRAM APPLICATION & ESSAY

You must also complete and meet the requirements listed to the left of this application. If you qualify, please complete this form, along with the required essay, and submit to Mike White.

Return to MTC by July 1.
Send to MTC Mike White at
1467 Mt. Vernon Ave., Marion, OH 43302-5694
Email: whitejm@mtc.edu
Fax: 740-725-4008

PLEASE PRINT

FIRST AND LAST NAME

HOME ADDRESS

CITY, STATE & ZIP

PHONE NUMBER

SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER

MAJOR

HIGH SCHOOL/JVS

GPA (4.0 SCALE)

STUDENT SIGNATURE

DATE

By signing, I hereby release my photo and information to be used in any way to promote the college, scholarships and the Marion Technical College Foundation.

Check this box to decline release.

ATTENTION!

You must also complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Results must be received by MTC prior to July 1.

WHAT'S NEXT
FOR YOU?

