INTRODUCTION TO AGRIBUSINESS

Remember the "Field of Dreams" movie when Kevin Costner's character plows under part of his cornfield to build a baseball field? A voice tells him, "If you build it, they will come." While his neighbors think he's crazy to plow under his corn, the movie ends with headlights streaming down the road for miles as people head for his ball field in the middle of an lowa cornfield. Some people have become involved in agribusiness/agritourism as a way of supplementing their income, while others desire an opportunity to educate the public and introduce people to farming. Onfarm sales of products such as maple syrup and maple products, Christmas trees, fruits, vegetables, cut flowers, nursery products, cheese and an assortment of other items are common sources of additional income generation.

Remember – everything is better down on the farm!

AN EXPLORATION OF THE HISTORY OF APPALACHIA AND SOUTHWEST VIRGINIA

We'll check out the local customs and folklore that shaped our culture today, and take a tour of how big events like the Civil War played out right here, 150 years ago. Don't forget Native Americans and how they changed our area for the better. A field trip as well as special guests visiting our class should make this an exciting summer experience.

Mountain Empire Regional Governor's School sponsored by: The Virginia Department of Education, Mountain Empire Community College Foundation, and Mountain Empire Community College.

APPLY EARLY!

Applications taken on a first-come, first-serve basis.



EXPERIENCE THE FUN JUNE 8 - JUNE 19





MECC GOVERNOR'S SCHOOL Experience the FUN!

The two-week program features a variety of hands-on activities in one of six subject areas selected by the student. Students will spend time in the field, in labs, on tours, and in the classroom with the faculty of **Mountain Empire Community College, receiving 6 college credit hours - tuition free.**

Governor's School 2020 is open to rising sophomores, juniors, or seniors in the counties of Lee, Scott, Wise, and Dickenson and the City of Norton who have a 3.0 GPA or higher.

Interested individuals should contact:

Governor's School Coordinator, Melissa McKinney at 523-2400, ext. 307 or mmckinney@mecc.edu or Ann Lane at ext. 363 or alane@mecc.edu

Applications are available online at: www.mecc.edu/govschool

APPLY IS APRIL 3, 2020 **SUBJECTS INCLUDE:**

CYBER SECURITY

Why a career in Cybersecurity?

- You'll be part of an exciting, challenging field.
- · You will find more job opportunities.
- You can earn higher pay.
- You'll be able to choose an industry that interests you.
- You can use your entire skillset.

EMS

Hearts, Helicopters, Health, and Helping! Students will complete CPR/ First Aid certification, examine and stock an ambulance, explore the use of drones for delivery of emergency care, prepare for a Med Flight landing, interact with Med Flight medics and nurses, tear apart a car and extricate a patient, participate in a Simulation Lab emergency simulation, dissect porcine hearts and lungs, drive an ambulance simulator, and explore health care careers.

ENGINEERING

Be an innovator! Use your creative skills to design and 3D print custom prosthetics, design your own home, work with robots, drones, 3D printers and much more. Invent your future in engineering in this exciting field.



HEALTH CAREERS EXPLORATION

Join us in exploring some awesome Health Career options!

Healthcare is one of the fastest growing employment opportunities in our region and nationwide. Healthcare is also one of the "giving" professions. Learn how you can make a difference in others' lives on a daily basis.

Students will explore many health care occupations including Nursing, Laboratory, Radiology, Medical Respiratory Therapy, Dental Assistant, Physical Therapy Assistant, Occupational Therapy Assistant, Pharmacy, Paramedic, Physician, and others. This will include the opportunity to shadow in several different hospital units. Students will perform a patient assessment, collect vital signs, perform venipuncture, start an IV, interact with high fidelity manikins, and practice other hands-on skills, as well as earn first aid and CPR certification.



June 8 - June 19

Daily from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. with some extended hours on field trip days.

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