Innovations within MoMan, East Central College and programs

East Central College has adopted the National Association of Manufacturers (NAM) certification model. NAM-endorsed certifications are industry-recognized credentials that validate individuals have demonstrated skills in specific areas of manufacturing.

East Central worked with area industry to gauge general skill needs for advanced manufacturing in the Franklin County area. MSSC’s Certified Production Technician certification was identified as a tool allowing employers to benchmark incumbent workers against national standards. Prior to the MoMan grant, this certification as not offered by ECC.

In addition to occupational skill certifications, all students earn a National Career Readiness Certification

Other innovations within MoManWINs:

* Maximizing assessment and award of credit for prior learning. (CPL document is attached in “Additional Documents” section.
* Articulation agreements for IET program with Central Missouri State University.
* Aligning the WorkKeys profiled level of manufacturing curriculum with the WorkKeys profiled level of skills required for occupation.
* Accelerating learning to through use of technology.
* Developing opportunities for work-based learning and paid internships.
* Using intrusive student support to increase retention rates and help in identifying and reducing/eliminating barriers.
* Collaborating with the workforce system to identify promising practices and policy options for assisting incumbent workers to advance in their career path to free entry level positions for TAA-eligible and other adults.