

Mid Michigan College (Mid) has a significant history of serving residents throughout the mid-Michigan region. The College first opened its doors to students in 1968 in Clare and Gladwin counties. But just a year later, Mid began offering courses and serving students in Gratiot and Isabella counties as well.

Local K-12 school districts have been an important part of the Mid's growth over the past several years. Over 1,300 high school students take dual enrollment courses each semester at Mid, taking advantage of the opportunity to get a jump start on college and transfer seamlessly to their next step after high school.

"Many students attend Mid during high school and then continue pursuing their degree with us when they graduate," said Scott Mertes, Mid Michigan College Provost. "Those students then move on from Mid and work for local employers or transfer to the university of their choice to continue their education."

Mid's students often stay local when they graduate, which supports workforce and economic development in the region. Over the years, Mid has partnered with local businesses and groups like the Middle Michigan Development Corporation, Small Business Development Center, Chambers of Commerce, and the Central Michigan Manufacturers Association to help the next generation of workers and business owners build essential skills.

These, and countless other resources, come together at Mid's state-of-the-art campuses in Harrison and Mt. Pleasant, as well as in satellite locations throughout mid-Michigan and the Thumb, to support local growth for students and businesses.

"Building partnerships and helping people succeed is at the core of everything we do. From training to transfer, Mid is the place where community members seek and find opportunities," shared Mertes. "We've built a solid foundation, including an annual economic impact on the region of over \$69 million and directly supporting 1 out of every 43 jobs, and as we look toward the future we see more and more opportunities taking shape."

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