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February 2006

National Groundhog Job Shadowing Day Helps Midlands Students Gain Real World Experience

February 2, 2006, was Groundhog Job Shadowing Day, a nationally recognized day where students throughout the United States spent time in the workplace in order to gain firsthand career experience. On this day and throughout the month of February several Midlands students took this opportunity to shadow business professionals to see how the skills they learn at school directly relate to the workplace.

Hunter Wilson, a senior at **Airport High School** in **Lexington School District Two**, spent the day shadowing **Lieutenant Governor Andre Bauer**. Bauer was happy to participate in National Groundhog Job Shadowing Day because he believes it is an important experience for students. "It gives young people the opportunity to really see firsthand how the political process works," explained Bauer.

Two other Midlands students also spent time with key political figures. **Dylan Hightower**, also a senior at **Airport High School**, shadowed **Governor Mark Sanford** and **Kimberly Peagler**, a senior at **Brookland-Cayce High School** in **Lexington School District Two** spent the day with **State Superintendent of Education Inez Tenebaum**.

Thirteen **Airport High School** students spent the day at **South Carolina Farm Bureau Insurance** shadowing staff in the Corporate Communications, Policy Services, Information Technology, Claims and Underwriting departments. The students were treated to a lunch hosted by **Mr. Phil Love**, Executive Vice President and CEO of South Carolina Farm Bureau, where **Mr. George Bailey**, Personnel Director for South Carolina Farm Bureau, spoke with them about job opportunities, resume preparation, interview skills and hiring practices.

Two other **Airport High School** students, **Tarrin DeCarpio** and **Sean Pilgrim**, shadowed individuals at the **South Carolina Employment Security Commission** including **Mr. Roosevelt Halley**, Executive Director; **Mr. Clark Newsome**, Media Director; and **Ms. Eleanore Vaughn**, Public Relations Director. These students have been invited to attend the Workforce Partnership Awards luncheon on April 5,

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Student **Dylan Hightower** with **Governor Mark Sanford**



Student **Hunter Wilson** with **Lt. Governor Andre Bauer**



Student **Kimberly Peagler** with **State Superintendent of Education Inez Tenenbaum**



Quick Bytes

- ◀The **Business, Management and Information Systems Alliance** met on February 1, 2006, to work on activities for the spring.
- ◀The **Engineering Alliance** met on February 7, 2006, to plan spring activities.
- ◀On February 10, 2006, **Lisa Call**, MEBA's Workforce Development Director and Career Specialist, spoke to the **Midlands Human Resources Group**. At the invitation of the group's president, **Chip Durant**, Call talked with the group about MEBA's work, specifically its field studies and co-op opportunities.
- ◀The **Healthcare Alliance** met on February 15, 2006, to discuss the January field study and to work on the state Health Occupations Students of America (HOSA) Conference and other upcoming activities.
- ◀Members of the **Hospitality and Tourism Alliance** met on February 21, 2006, at the **McCutchen House** on the **University of South Carolina** campus. The group made plans for the upcoming Hospitality and Tourism Field Study to be held on March 29, 2006. **Neal Smoak**, Director of the McCutchen House, gave welcoming remarks and provided refreshments for the group.
- ◀The **Manufacturing and Industrial Maintenance Alliance** met on February 23, 2006, to plan for the upcoming field study to be held on March 8, 2006. The group also discussed reprinting the "Be A Part of Manufacturing" brochures.
- ◀The **Middle College Task Force** that has been working for the past two years to establish a middle college for the nine school districts of the Midlands on the Airport campus of Midlands Technical College celebrated their successes at their meeting on February 23, 2006. The group welcomed **Sue McLeese** as the new director of the program that will have their first students in August 2006. Chairman **Dr. Wayne Brazell** also announced the award of a five-year Tech Prep Demonstration Grant given by the US Department of Education for \$780,000.

City of Columbia Employees Embrace Lifelong Learning

During the month of February, **Kay Barlow**, MEBA's Education and Community Director, met with four different groups of **City of Columbia** employees to present on the importance of lifelong learning as part of the *Your Child Is Job #1* program.

On February 10, 2006, Barlow met with **municipal court employees** and encouraged them to embrace lifelong learning for themselves as well as for their children and grandchildren. It is important to show children the value of education and help them when they encounter difficult tasks or situations by offering guidance and support. All children, whether they are babies, toddlers or middle and high school students, need this encouragement.

On February 15, 2006, Barlow presented to a group of eight **City of Columbia police officer trainees**. Barlow and the trainees discussed the importance of continuous learning due to the ever changing demands of the workplace. The trainees also discussed the positive example they can set not only for their children but for children throughout the community. Police officials do more than simply enforce the law; they teach and encourage safety and good character. These lessons, coupled with ongoing learning, can help make a powerful difference in the lives of our young people and the safety of Columbia.

On February 21, 2006, Barlow presented to employees who are involved with answering local **911 and 411** calls. Barlow and the employees discussed qualities needed to be successful in their field including responsibility, dependability, accuracy and self-motivation. Barlow encouraged the employees

Sue McLeese Tapped to Lead Middle College



The Midlands Education and Business Alliance (MEBA) is pleased to announce that **Sue McLeese** has been selected to lead the Midlands **Middle College**.

“We are thrilled to have Sue on board,” stated **Dr. Kaye Shaw**, MEBA’s Executive Director. “We believe she will bring great energy, experience and a fresh perspective to the program.”

McLeese’s commitment to helping people succeed is nothing new. Throughout her career, she has directed efforts and volunteered for organizations that work to help children and their families overcome challenges and achieve excellence. From 1987 to 1995, McLeese served as the Director for South Carolina Cares for Children, an organization that creates child abuse prevention resources for schools and local communities throughout the state. Since then, McLeese has been Director of Marketing and Promotions for the University of South Carolina Athletics Department; Executive Vice President for the South Carolina Museum Foundation; and Vice President of Major Gifts for the Palmetto Health Foundation.

“I think what I enjoy most,” said McLeese, “is bringing together people and resources in new and creative ways that benefit all involved. The most successful programs are those that look beyond the normal way of doing business and seek new partners from diverse back-

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Richland One Middle College Students Participate in Field Study

Students from **Richland One Middle College** attended a special Manufacturing Field Study on February 23, 2006. MEBA’s **Lisa Call** worked with **Drucilla Russell**, Student Success Coordinator for the Middle College, to organize the event.

The day began with a tour of the **Machine Tool Technology** program at **Midlands Technical College Airport Campus**. **Mark Blackberg**, a Machine Tool Technology instructor, led the tour. Students then traveled to **Siemens Diesel Systems Technology** where they were greeted by **Ron Ellis**, Human Resources Director for Siemens. The students toured the facility, learned about different career opportunities, and enjoyed a lunch sponsored by Siemens. The group’s last stop was at the **BOSE Corporation** where **Ron Ellis** with the BOSE Human Resources Department led the group on a tour and spoke with them about careers at BOSE.

MEBA Hosts Directors and Career Specialists Meeting

MEBA hosted the statewide meeting of the directors and career specialists of the SC Education and Business Alliance on February 16, 2006. The mission of this alliance is to bring career education to students and to foster collaboration among agencies, businesses and educational institutions. The organization has taken on the responsibility of providing Career Development Facilitator training across the state, as well as providing resources for students, parents, educators and businesses on workforce and economic development.

Fairfield County Parents Make Learning Fun

On February 1, 2006, MEBA’s **Kay Barlow** presented “Teaching Your Child to Love Learning” to more than 2,000 parents in **Fairfield County** through live and repeat broadcasts by the television community access network in Fairfield County. The program was presented as part of MEBA’s *Your Child Is Job #1* program. Barlow encouraged parents to take advantage of opportunities to incorporate learning into everyday activities and to make learning fun. Parents and caregivers can make a trip to the grocery store or bank educational and exciting by involving their child in such tasks as making a shopping list from a recipe or figuring out a bank deposit payment. Parents were encouraged to spend time with their children by playing cards, checkers or outdoor games together. Parents can use this time to serve as good role models for their children and to help build confidence and self esteem.

grounds. Within any community, there is, among other things, a wealth of potential volunteers, unexpected sources of in-kind contributions and untapped funding avenues. When each partner understands how his/her contribution is important to the success of the overall project, great things happen. Bringing people and resources together to solve problems and achieve success is extremely rewarding.”

McLeese is currently President of the Palmetto Chapter of the Association of the United States Army (AUSA), an organization whose mission is to improve the lives of American soldiers and their families. AUSA has successfully raised Soldier pay, improved on- and off-base housing, increased benefits for survivors, provided scholarships for children of deployed Soldiers and protected veterans from reduced retirement pay. McLeese is the first female, first non-military person to hold this position.

McLeese serves on the Board of Directors for the South Carolina Mental Health Association and is Chairman of its Education Committee. She is a member of the President’s Advisory Board at Allen University, the Columbia Rotary Club and a volunteer for the Commission for the Blind.

McLeese believes the Midlands Middle College has an extraordinary opportunity to reduce the current school drop-out rate while producing students who are career minded and equipped for lifelong learning. “Education and workforce development are the most critical issues our state faces,” explains McLeese. “We have to ensure that the two are seamlessly connected.”

McLeese feels educational institutions such as the Midlands Middle College are necessary to help our state and the nation remain competitive in the global economy. “The world really is flat,” says McLeese. “Our students in Lexington, Richland and Fairfield Counties are vying for the same jobs as students in China or Ireland, and we have to give them the tools they will need to succeed and to become productive members of the global workforce.”

The concept for the Midlands Middle College is a student-focused format, designed to help students who are capable of academic success, but who have not been successful in traditional classrooms. “All students do not learn in the same way,” McLeese commented, “so we have to devise creative ways to instruct and motivate.” An important component of Midlands Middle College will be to give students the opportunity to explore careers in which they are interested or for which they have a special aptitude, ranging from health services to the automotive industry.

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Richland One Eighth Graders Participate in Career Quest

On February 14, 2006, more than 2,000 eighth grade students from **Richland School District One** participated in the annual Career Quest event. Organized by Richland School District One and hosted by **Fort Jackson** at the Solomon Center, the Career Quest program provides students with the opportunity to talk face-to-face with hundreds of employers and get first-hand information about the academic requirements for various professions.

The **Midlands Education and Business Alliance (MEBA)** helped connect Richland One and its students to more than 200 business people who were onsite to talk with the students and share helpful career information. MEBA’s **Kay Barlow** attended the event and was located in the Arts and Humanities Cluster with MEBA Arts Alliance member, **Greg Leevy**, a local producer, director and writer. **Lisa Call**, MEBA’s Workforce Development Director and Career Specialist, also participated in the event as a business representative for the Education and Training Cluster.

Special recognition is given to **Dr. Robert Kirton**, Richland School District One’s CATE Director as well as to **Miranda Blocker**, **Lana Hefner** and **June Todd** for a job well done.



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2006, to represent all students who participated in Groundhog Job Shadowing Day.

Students from **Richland Northeast High School** were able to experience the excitement of a career in television journalism firsthand. Student **Paul White** was grateful for the opportunity to watch the journalists in action. "I really enjoyed my trip to **WLTX-TV**," said White. "The experience made me even more certain that I want to pursue a career in broadcast journalism."

In addition to visiting WLTX-TV, student **Vessie Radieva** spent time shadowing **Jennifer Miskewicz**, a reporter with **WIS-TV**. Radieva accompanied Miskewicz as she worked on a story for the evening news. They spent several hours following leads, getting interviews and shooting footage. "It was a truly eye opening experience," said Radieva. "It's amazing to see how much time and work goes in to producing a two-minute segment. I learned so much and it has given me a lot to think about in considering the many exciting career opportunities available in journalism."

Groundhog Job Shadowing Day activities were made possible by a team of individuals coordinated by MEBA. MEBA served as the liaison between the **South Carolina State Department of Education**, the **South Carolina Employment Security Commission**, the **State Chamber of Commerce** and the **School-to-Work Coordinators** from nine Midlands school districts that worked together to provide shadowing opportunities for thousands of local students.

Groundhog Job Shadowing Day activities took place at several businesses throughout the Midlands including **Lizard's Thicket**, **Healthsouth**, **Great Clips**, **Hair Doodles** and many more. Thank you to the many local business professionals who hosted students and helped make the event a great success. Special thanks also to the following educators who helped coordinate the activities and provided information for this article: **Mona Myers** Career Coordinator at Airport High School; **Debbie Manos**, School-to-Work Coordinator at Brookland-Cayce High School; **Judy Giles**, School-to-Work Coordinator at Richland Northeast High School.

MEBA Shares Career Information at Local School Career Events

During the month of February, MEBA staff members participated in career events held at three Midlands schools.

On February 6, 2006, MEBA's **Kay Barlow** attended Parents' Night at **Airport High School in Lexington School District Two**. The event included a spaghetti dinner and was attended by 131 families. Barlow distributed copies of *American Careers* magazine and a brochure titled "How to be a Part of Your Teenager's Academic Career." Special thanks go to **Mona Myers**, Career Facilitator for Airport High School, for organizing such a successful event and for inviting MEBA to be a part of the evening.

On February 7, 2006, **Stacey Westberry**, MEBA's Professional Development Director, participated in **Congaree Elementary School's** Annual Career Fair. Congaree Elementary is located in Lexington School District Two. Westberry shared information on various careers with more than twenty 4th and 5th grade students. The students discussed career opportunities in healthcare and manufacturing and played Career Bingo.

On February 23, 2006, **Blythewood High School** hosted a Career Cluster night for more than 242 families. **Dr. Sharon Buddin**, Principal; **Tommy Gladden**, Assistant Principal; and **Pepper Busbee**, Career Facilitator, organized the successful event. The school partnered with several local businesses to showcase the many career options available in today's workforce. MEBA's Kay Barlow also participated in the event and helped distribute valuable career information.

Local Students Participate in Healthcare and Manufacturing Field Study

On February 22, 2006, thirteen students and six faculty members with **Midlands Technical College's Educational Talent Search (ETS)** program participated in a **Healthcare and Manufacturing Field Study**. Participating students were from high schools in Lexington and Fairfield Counties. The Educational Talent Search program is a federal program designed to help first-generation college students explore various career options and opportunities. MEBA's **Lisa Call** worked with **Marti Weaver**, a counselor with ETS, to organize the event.

To kick off the event, Call provided opening remarks and led the group in a team building exercise. The group then boarded a bus and traveled to **Lexington Medical Center**. At Lexington Medical Center, **Kama Staton**, Workforce Development Coordinator for the Center, led the group on a tour of the facility and discussed various career opportunities. Following the tour and discussion, participants were treated to lunch by Lexington Medical Center.

After lunch, the group again boarded the bus and traveled to the **Siemens Diesel Systems Technology**. **Ron Ellis**, Human Resources Director at Siemens, took the group on a tour of the facility and spoke with them about career opportunities at Siemens.

The group then traveled to the **BOSE Corporation** Columbia headquarters. The group met with **Ron Ellis** with human resources and participated in a tour of the plant and a discussion about various career opportunities and professional tracks at BOSE. The group then returned to **Midlands Technical College Airport Campus** to conclude the exciting event.

Upcoming Events

✳️ **Women's Work Equity Conference**
March 13, 2006
Columbia College

✳️ **Forest Heights Elementary Career Day**
March 14, 2006, 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon
Forest Heights Elementary

✳️ **SC HOSA Conference**
March 15, 16, 17, 2006
Charleston Convention Center

✳️ **Arts and Humanities Alliance Meeting**
March 15, 2006, 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Nickelodean Theater.

✳️ **Work Incentives and Tax Credits Workshop**
March 27, 2006, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon
Midlands Technical College, Mary Robertson Conference Room
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✳️ **Equal Access Committee Meeting**
March 28, 2006, 9:00 – 11:00 a.m.
Heyward Career and Technology Center
Futures Lab

✳️ **Maintenance Construction Technology Alliance Meeting**
March 28, 2006, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon
Midlands Technical College Airport Campus, AC 139

✳️ **Hospitality and Tourism Field Study**
March 29, 2006, 8:30 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.
SC Department of Parks Recreation and Tourism, Room 252

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McLeese also believes that, by having the Midlands Middle College located on a college campus, students will benefit from exposure to older and more mature students. Daily experiences on the campus should remove the perception of college as overwhelming or out of their reach. “The current drop-out rate is disturbing,” repeated McLeese. “I know that the Midlands Middle College can help reduce this number and, as a result, positively impact students, their families and our community. Now that’s worth doing!”

The Midlands Middle College is a unique, three-county initiative that will be housed at Midlands Technical College’s Airport Campus. The multi-district program will target students who are identified by school officials as probable dropouts but who have academic promise.

Middle Colleges are high school programs housed at institutions of higher learning and are established to help at-risk students who have potential for eventual college studies or advanced training. Middle Colleges are developed to reduce the high school dropout rate, create a seamless transition to college programs, afford students real-world work experiences and encourage collaboration between K-12 and higher education.

The Middle College model has been proven to work, and the graduation rate of the thirty Middle Colleges in the United States is 75 percent. The Midlands Middle College concept is unique in that there are only two other known models in the nation that incorporate multiple districts. Accepting students from the Department of Juvenile Justice will be a first in the country.

The following school districts will have an opportunity to send students: Fairfield, Lexington One, Lexington Two, Lexington Three, Lexington Four, Lexington-Richland Five, Richland One, Richland Two and the Department of Juvenile Justice. The Midlands Middle College program is scheduled to open in August of this year.

MEBA Staff Attends Southeastern WorkKeys Conference.

MEBA staff members, **Dr. Kaye Shaw**, Executive Director, and **Lisa Call**, Workforce Development Director and Career Specialist, attended the second annual Southeastern WorkKeys Conference February 1 – 3, 2006, in Augusta, Georgia. Call served as a facilitator for the *WorkKeys in a Career Technology Class* session. The conference was attended by representatives from approximately 15 states and was a great learning opportunity for all involved.

Faces of MEBA – David Highsmith

David Highsmith, a career counselor at **Midlands Technical College Airport Campus**, is a strong supporter of MEBA because he sees firsthand how this partnership successfully connects education to the workforce. Highsmith became a career counselor with Midlands Technical College a little more than two years ago and has been involved with MEBA almost as long. He serves as a member of the Guidance Committee and has participated in many of MEBA's field studies.

"MEBA is a wonderful resource for me," says Highsmith. "It helps connect me as a career counselor to the workforce." Highsmith uses the real world connections he makes at the field studies and other events extensively. He frequently puts his students in touch with business people who may provide insight and direction about the education, training and job opportunities related to a career in which they are interested.

Recently, Highsmith was able to help one student interested in a career in radiology learn about job shadowing opportunities at a local radiology unit. "She knew she was interested in radiology, but she didn't know how to go about gaining a firsthand view of the industry," explains Highsmith. "My work with MEBA allowed me to put her in touch with someone that could provide that opportunity."



David Highsmith, Career Counselor at Midlands Technical College-Airport Campus

Highsmith applauds MEBA for how it successfully connects educators to the local workforce. "MEBA provides a forum for us to talk to each other and to understand the real needs out there," says Highsmith. "Without this forum educators could be preparing students for careers that aren't viable or needed in today's workforce. By continuing this discussion, we can make certain we are producing qualified students who will fill real needs."

Highsmith also appreciates the working relationships he has developed through MEBA with many area high school guidance counselors. By working together, they can help make the transition from high school to college a little more seamless.

Highsmith loves working as a career counselor because of the diverse

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- ◀ On February 23, 2006, MEBA's **Lisa Call** attended the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) workshop to learn more about career exploration in the high school and how to effectively use the ASVAB test for the entire career development process, not only for military entrance.
- ◀ On February 27, 2006, MEBA's **Lisa Call** attended the Allied Health Education Consortium (AHEC) meeting. The group discussed how to recruit non-traditional students into the healthcare field.
- ◀ On February 28, 2006, MEBA's **Lisa Call** took part in a WorkKeys meeting at Midlands Technical College Northeast Campus. The statewide group is working to promote WorkKeys in South Carolina and to discuss best practices and opportunities for making WorkKeys more viable in South Carolina.

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to share these qualities with their children and to encourage and model a love of learning that will help their children be successful.

Also on February 21, 2006, Barlow met with the employees of **Fire Station 3**. Barlow and participants discussed how to make learning fun. Parents and caregivers can turn card games, puzzles, and family game nights into educational opportunities to encourage students to embrace lifelong learning.

Midlands Educators Take Part in Arts and Distribution Field Study

Forty-five Midlands area teachers participated in the **Midlands Education and Business Alliance (MEBA) Arts and Distribution Field Study** on February 8, 2006. The event began at **Edventure Children's Museum** where the group learned about careers and volunteer opportunities at Edventure from **Theresa Dozier**, Guest Services Manager. Participants then took part in self-guided tours of Edventure, the South's largest children's museum.

Following the museum tours, participants boarded a bus and traveled to **WIS News Channel 10**. At WIS-TV, Marketing and Programming Director **Barry Ahrendt** took the group on a tour of the television station, introduced participants to the station's department managers, and shared information on industry careers.

The group then traveled to the **United Parcel Service (UPS)** facility in West Columbia. **Yvette Sumter** with the UPS human resources department led the group on a tour of the facility and talked about job opportunities within the company. Participants were treated to lunch and then returned to Edventure to complete the event.



Arts and Distribution Field Study participants



Arts and Distribution Field Study participants

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range of people he is able to serve. From high school seniors who are just exploring career possibilities to senior adults who are interested in a new field or opportunities for advancement, Highsmith enjoys helping them with the research and planning that go into making a positive decision. He also believes MEBA gives him the tools to do his job better. "Anyone can find statistical data about various careers," says Highsmith. "MEBA gives me the firsthand knowledge and the relationships that help supplement and complement that data. It adds a personal touch to my career counseling."

"David is such an effective counselor who continually looks for ways to improve his work with young people. The success of MEBA depends upon professionals like David who look for opportunities to connect to the world of business," states Dr. Kaye Shaw.

Highsmith is originally from Georgia. He received an undergraduate degree from the University of Georgia, a master's degree in divinity from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and a doctorate degree in higher education administration from the University of South Carolina.



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Midlands Educators Attend Health Medical Field Study

MEBA held a **Health Medical Field Study** on January 25, 2006, for 38 educators from Midlands middle and high schools. The day began at 8:30 a.m. at **Midlands Technical College – Airport Campus**.

Jane Napier, an Information Systems instructor at Midlands Technical College, provided welcoming remarks and shared information with participants about the College's new Medical Office Administrative Assistant program.

Participants then boarded a bus to **Palmetto Health** where they were able to tour the new Heart Center. **Val Richardson**, Workforce Development Director for Palmetto Health, spoke with the educators about current workforce needs and career opportunities.

The field study continued at the **Sisters of Charity Providence Hospitals** where **Donna Plunkett**, Work Force Development Coordinator for Providence Hospitals, organized three different facility tour stops including the School of Cardiovascular Diagnostics, the CAT Scan Department, and 5th Heart, a Nursing Department.

Following a lunch at Rising High, sponsored by Palmetto Health, participants toured the **Southeastern School of Neuromuscular and Massage Therapy, Inc.**, where **Judy Mims** gave an overview of the School and the job outlook for its students. A drawing was held in which **Brennan Davis** of **Irmo High School** won a free massage.

Participants then visited **Lexington Medical Center** where **Kama Staton** discussed the workforce needs and led them on a tour of the surgical suites and radiology department.

At each site, participants were given packets of useful information and literature that, along with the knowledge gained from the experience, they can take back to their schools and classrooms to benefit their students



Val Richardson, Workforce Development Coordinator at Palmetto Health Hospital



Donna Plunkett, Workforce Development Coordinator for Providence Hospital



Kama Staton, Workforce Development Coordinator for Lexington Medical Center



Health Medical Field Study participants

Work Incentives and Tax Credit Workshop

Sponsored by

Midlands Education and Business Alliance Equal Access Committee

Monday, March 27, 2006

9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon

Midlands Technical College, Airport Campus

Mary Robertson Conference Room AC 143

TOPICS WILL INCLUDE

Federal Work Opportunity Tax Credit

Presented by Laura Rushton, SC Employment Security Commission

Labor Laws Involving Volunteer Help

Presented by Pam Watson, Charleston County Disabilities Board

Small Business Tax Credits

Presented by Camille Fallaw, SC Employment Security Commission

This workshop is free for educators and business partners in the Midlands area.

Who Should Attend?

- * Business persons interested in gaining tax credits and in finding reliable employees
- * Secondary Special Education Teachers who participate in volunteer work opportunities for their students
- * Transition Coordinators
- * School-to-Work Coordinators

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