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Meridian Community College

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Meridian Community College has a lot of “secrets” you should know. For one, its student body is comprised of people from all ages and walks of life, making it an ideal learning experience. The two-year school boasts a prestigious list of graduates — entrepreneur Tommy Dulaney, author Brad Watson, Olympic athlete Colby Miller, pro basketball star Ronald Murray and pro baseball standout Cliff Lee.

Yet another “secret” to students not familiar with the Meridian area is that the campus is nestled in the postcard-pretty foothills of the Appalachian Mountains in a small city with a vibrant downtown district.

“Students get a bigger bang for their buck from a public community college,” said Dr. Scott Elliott, president of Meridian Community College, which was founded in 1937. “Our tuition is markedly less expensive than that of a public or private university, and our classes are small. Therefore, talented, dedicated teachers can provide students with a lot of one-on-one attention. Getting that kind of solid foundation causes our graduates to compete very well when they transfer to a senior college or university. And, of course, the money they save by going to a community college first really helps out when they are saving for their university experience.”

Not everything about Meridian Community College is a “secret.” The college is well known for its variety of occupational health education classes — a dozen programs all under that one umbrella. MCC’s associate degree nursing program and most of the allied health programs are nationally accredited, contributing to a higher-than-usual success rate.

Other popular programs involve construction trades, drafting and design, industrial maintenance, electronics and horticulture.

To help new students settle in at Meridian Community College, orientation sessions are held on a regular basis, and high school seniors have the option to experience college with MCC’s Dual Credit Program — before they even become college students.

Understanding that time and travel restraints prevent some students from



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immersing themselves in traditional classroom settings, Meridian Community College offers various delivery options, including online classes.

The Meridian area offers a terrific nightlife, and MCC’s Eagles athletics provides another great form of entertainment.

In addition, Meridian Community College students have a choice of participating in a host of student organizations. There include the Arts Student League, Business Student Organization, Horticulture Club, Skills USA College Activities Board, Jazz Band, Student Association of Early Childhood among many others.

Elliott said, “If you are looking for a college with an outstanding tradition of

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achievement in all areas — ranging from academics to occupational programs to athletics to fine arts — then you have come to the right place!”