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**OHIO COMMUNITY COLLEGES FORM STATEWIDE WORKING GROUP TO
ACCELERATE WORKFORCE TRAINING EFFORTS**

Ohio Workforce League will help Ohio prepare for the technology-driven economy

COLUMBUS, OH – Ohio’s community college system has created the Ohio Workforce League, a new statewide workforce team to help strengthen the state’s career-readiness training efforts and stay ahead of emerging job trends. The group was created in response to Gov. Mike DeWine administration’s increasing focus on workforce training.

The new Ohio Workforce League will include workforce development leaders from all 23 community college campuses, who will work with statewide business organizations and state leaders to address challenges and develop innovative solutions to help more adults learn new skills to compete in technology-driven economy. The group will be led by William Gary, a national thought leader on workforce development who serves as executive vice president of workforce community and economic development at Cuyahoga Community College.

“Our community colleges continue to answer the call to get more Ohioans job ready and on the path to careers,” Hershey said. “We know that workforce development is the most critical element for our state’s economic well-being in this new knowledge economy. Preparing workers for in-demand jobs and careers is a responsibility we take very seriously.”

The OACC represents the presidents and trustees of the state’s 23 public two-year institutions, working to advance our community colleges through policy advocacy and professional development. For more information, please visit www.OhioCommunityColleges.Org

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