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Students, parents and families:

Welcome to the 2024-2025 school year at the Greater Altoona Career & Technology Center (GACTC)! As we open the school year, we anticipate welcoming approximately 1,140 students to the GACTC.

Each year provides the opportunity to begin anew and take advantage of the learning and experiences before us. Our world is begging for talented, skilled professionals to fill critical roles in the workforce. YOU, are the future workforce, and learning a skilled trade provides you a promising pathway for future success. Your GACTC education includes, but is not limited to the following career-building experiences:

- Authentic problem solving
- Real-world connections
- Expert craftsman and technical teachers
- Industry partnerships and early career experiences
- Opportunity to earn industry credentials

- Ability to earn college credit through articulation and dual enrollment
- Collaborative learning opportunities
- Access to advancing tools, technology and resources
- Networking with students from other schools in our area

In order to maximize your success at the GACTC and develop your academic and technical proficiency and work ethic, daily attendance and your best effort is necessary.

## School starts at the GACTC on Thursday, August 22, 2024!

A letter will be sent via mail or provided at the new student orientation to guide you through either creating a new parent portal account or instructions on how to access your current parent portal account. It should be noted that our student information system, Infinite Campus, is separate from the sending school districts. If you have an Infinite Campus parent portal account at your sending school district, it is <u>not</u> connected to the GACTC Infinite Campus portal. Please make certain your contact information in Infinite Campus is accurate, as we often use the information to send important updates. If you'd like to update your contact information, please contact our Student Services Department at (814) 505-1273.

Be sure to check out our website (<u>www.gactc.edu</u>) and follow us on social media to learn more about the great things happening at the GACTC. Please do not hesitate to contact us at 814-941-TECH (8324) with any questions.

Thank you for your continued support as we work hard to provide the best educational atmosphere for our students. We are looking forward to starting a new year at the GACTC!

Sincerely,

Lindsay Miksich, GACTC Principal

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