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MCC and Boeing invest in the community with rapid training and industry certifications

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The Boeing Company, the world's largest aerospace firm, and Mesa Community College (MCC) partner to provide aerospace industry training to launch new careers in record time.

"We began offering cable harness wiring boot camps in collaboration with MCC last year," said Robert Blawat, operations manager for The Boeing Company. "We developed an eight question, pre-assessment and course curriculum to ensure participants can acquire the industry skills most needed to launch new careers."

The nine-day camps, designed to meet specific needs of Boeing, are offered at both MCC campuses and the Chandler-Gilbert Community College Williams Campus. Camps culminate with the opportunity for trainees to take the industry certification exam [Requirements and Acceptance for Cable and Wire Harness Assemblies]. Students earning the certification are reimbursed the full \$255 cost of camp tuition, making the outof-pocket investment for the training and the exam only \$15 for registration.

"Preparing students to earn an industry-recognized certification and validating skills in high demand by local industry are investments in our community," said Leah Palmer, executive director of the Arizona Advanced Manufacturing Institute (AzAMI) at MCC. "There are many growing aerospace companies in Maricopa County that need these skills, so this will open opportunities for manufacturing education and careers."

Those interested in earning either the Electrical Cable Harness Wiring or J-Standard (Soldering) Certifications and pursuing a growth-oriented career in the aerospace industry are required to complete a pre-assessment online at mesacc.edu/wiring-bootcamp. Direct all guestions about the boot camps to Matt Rayman, MCC student navigator, 480-461-7337 or email to AzAMI@mesacc.edu.