



What are people saying about the Manufacturing Technology Academy?

We offer the following quotes and opinions from a few former MTA students, parents and MTA's business partners to students who are considering the possibility of applying to our program.

What is so unique about MTA? The combination of rigorous academics with meaningful applications in robotics competitions, internships and industry-based technical projects adds fun, purpose and relevance to concepts taught in the MTA classrooms. The positive and supportive student culture values intellect, skill and effort and fosters collaboration, teamwork and self-confidence.

From Former Students:

- ✧ "Immersion in such an intellectually-stimulating and challenging environment helped strengthen my interest and my plans to pursue a career in engineering and technology."
... Currently at U of M studying Electrical Engineering
- ✧ "The environment was welcoming, the students were friendly and they were happy to be there." ... Currently at MSU studying Computer Engineering
- ✧ "Even after school hours, the teachers would allow us to call them and ask for help; they even had study chat rooms online where we got to talk and discuss math problems."
... Currently at Davenport University studying Biometric Security/Computer Networking
- ✧ "Math has always been a strong suit for me along with science and technology, so MTA was the perfect place, since I was able to take college-level mat"... Currently at LSSU studying Computer & Electrical Engineering
- ✧ "The knowledge and experience I gained while at MTA helped me considerably during my college experience at The University of Michigan, my internship at RJG, and still continue helping me throughout my current career. ... Currently a Mechanical Engineer at Cone Drive in Traverse City
- ✧ "Leading an MTA team that took a Gold Medal in the Automation Work Cell division of the National Robotics Challenge my senior year prompted my current employer to offer me a higher salary when I hired in." ... Currently a senior product design engineer at Lockheed Martin Space Systems

From Parents:

- ✧ "Our son had a great year. He enjoyed school for the first time in a very long time."
- ✧ "The work, education, and determination skills that our daughter received were priceless."
- ✧ "...the MTA program really doesn't get the publicity it deserves. There are so many bright teens who need this type of opportunity to excel."
- ✧ "I like the small setting and the real life application of learning,"
- ✧ "My son needed a more rigorous program...and MTA exposed him to real life situations that had to be dealt with."
- ✧ "I liked the high quality program and better group of students my son was associated with."

From Business Partners:

- ✧ "I am an interviewer of applicants to MIT. I have met with dozens of college bound students from the region. Of these, only three have been admitted to MIT. Two were from MTA. If that doesn't speak to the strength of MTA's program, I don't know what does."
- ✧ "Dedicated students (and parents), excellent faculty and outstanding support from local industry produce technically-prepared students for the local workforce or additional college/university preparation."

