

Message

From the Dean

Hello everyone. It is with great excitement that I introduce our new campus newsletter. The newsletter will be an amazing resource of new developments at MPI TB as well as the accomplishments of you, our students. Our mission statement is to provide quality education at an affordable price and I am so proud to be Dean of a school that stays true to those principles in this day and age. I would like to give credit where credit is due and acknowledge our Administrator who is responsible for the above philosophy.

I am equally proud of our student body who continue to perform outstandingly on the boards and subsequently become prime representatives in our community of competent, caring and accomplished nurses.

I look forward to a prosperous year and working together with you to keep MPI TB an amazing school.

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Riding the Winds of Change

With each passing year, MPI has strived to grow not only as a center for quality education but also as a source of inspiration for the community.

In August 2015, after years of hard work, Medical Prep Institute of Tampa Bay was awarded a 4 year accreditation with the Accrediting Bureau of Health Education Schools (ABHES).

This accreditation meant more than just meeting certain standards for the school; it is an expression of the hard work and dedication put forth by the MPI faculty and staff. It is a gateway for the school to grow even bigger and provide education to even more students around the country.

We here at MPI want each and every student to be successful which is why we invest as much time and resources as we can into each student. The school is currently in the process of applying for Title IV Funding and we plan to start even more ASN and BSN classes than ever before!

We've implemented some great changes this year and it is only going to get better as the school

grows and we are able to utilize financial support. We plan to add many more resources, tools and products that students can use throughout their program to get the most from their education at MPI.

As the school continues to grow we hope to add even more programs and options for students to earn their degree. Not to worry, we have no plans of leaving behind our core values which is to provide quality education, made simple and affordable.

Be sure to keep an eye out for all the big changes that are going to happen by the end of 2016 as they are going to come in the blink of an eye!

Fast Facts

83.6%

of nurses passed the NCLEX on their first try in the first quarter of 2016.

59,648

People became nurses from
Jan-March 2016

The 21st Century Nursing Student

In the 21st century, many schools along with MPI are offering online classes where students do a majority of their coursework online. They utilize tools like the school's Learning Management System (Sycamore Campus), attend weekly webinars, use online tools like those found on Elsevier and much more!

While going to school online may be easier than ever, there are still many things students must take into account before deciding on taking classes online. Students choose to take classes online for many reasons however this form of education isn't for everyone so deciding if online classes are right for you is a big decision.

When deciding if online classes are right for you, you may want to **take free online classes before you enroll** to see how you navigate the courses and to tell how comfortable you are with the learning environment. This will be a great way to tell if you can succeed in classes before you commit to the real thing.

Online classes also depend a lot on the tools you use so having inadequate tools



can severely hinder your experience with online education. **Always make sure your technology is current** before starting any online classes.

Online classes also require students to be able to **stay organized and be able to self motivate and learn**. Being able to manage your time and learn by using your available resources is a really important tool.

One thing many students overlook when signing up for classes is how much they enjoy using computers and technology. Since online students spend so much time on the computer it is important that you **enjoy using and understand technology** to

really succeed in online classes.

Finally, being able to **communicate effectively through digital forms of communication** is a must when taking online classes. School faculty, staff and peers will contact you via email, chat and other methods so it is important that you are comfortable using these methods and that you respond in a timely manner.

While online classes may seem like an appealing option for working parents and professionals, student nurses must keep in mind that online classes aren't always a right fit. For more information about MPI's online program, contact our admissions department today!

Nursing Fun Facts

1. Nurses are consistently named one of the most trusted professions, year after year.
2. Nurses are needed more than ever. With the rise in the number of elderly people and the fall in the number of nurses, nurses have their pick of great jobs and great schools.
3. Nurses make up the majority of hospital staff and provide more care than any other staff member
4. Of all students in health professions, half of them are studying nursing
5. One out of every four nurses works part-time.
6. There are more than 5.5 million nurses and nurses aides in the United States ... five times the size of the US army!
7. There are four times as many nurses as doctors.
8. The nurse cap is patterned after a nun's habit to keep the hair neatly in place. Although this clothing item has long been phased out as it is known to carry pathogens, some countries still use this as part of the female nurses' outfit.

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LOOK

who passed the NCLEX!

January-May 2016:

Moya Cummings-Gayle - RN
Shawn Smiley - RN
Erika Harris - RN
Sylvia Belmares - RN
Hector Beltran - RN
Dayron Fernandez - RN
Monica Miracle - RN
Lynn Joseph - RN
Ari Amat - RN
Annelise Kambanda-Ineza - RN
Richelle McGriff - RN
Dena Facey - RN
Colleen Curry - RN
Samantha Rhymes - RN

BECOME

a member of the MPI FAMILY

Online, Evening & Day RN Programs are starting soon!

Online: Start date July 10, 2016
Evening: Start date July 11, 2016 (Monday-Wednesday)
Day: Start date August 10, 2016 (Wednesday-Friday)

Mandatory orientation will be held June 28-29 (for Online & Evening) and July 27-28 (for Day)

Contact our admissions department today to start your journey!