



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: MAY 20, 2016

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT:

**BILL BARNES, HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL
517-541-5601**

CHS BUSINESS MANAGEMENT STUDENTS VISIT MSUFCU HEADQUARTERS

Charlotte High School students enrolled in Tina VanSyckle's Business Management 1 course participated in the Junior Achievement job shadow work site visit program. On May 3, students traveled to Michigan State University Federal Credit Union (MSUFCU) Headquarters in East Lansing. During the introduction, students enjoyed a light breakfast and were introduced to the workplace and the career opportunities available to them. Human Resources Generalist Ceara Grant shared the company's mission statement and core



values. MSUFCU employees provided small-group tours of the headquarters where students learned about different business careers including e-services, marketing/communications, IT, management and human resources. Each tour guide provided a round table discussion and mock interview questions, giving feedback to each question. Students had the opportunity to share resumes and career portfolios. "For many students this is the first opportunity to practice interviewing for a job," VanSyckle said. Students then enjoyed lunch from MSUFCU and wrapped up the day identifying the work-readiness skills needed to research, get, and keep a job. Each student created a professional action plan reflecting on the day's activities.

"This work-based experience is part of our Career and Employability Skills Standard and is designed to help students explore a career choice as well as observe employability skills. These include using technology, attending work daily and on time, work behaviors and personal qualities needed to be employable, meeting deadlines, following directions, accuracy, problem solving, paying attention to details, working independently and as a team member," VanSyckle said. Grant spent a few minutes emphasizing the importance of these skills in the workplace. She also shared the dress code for MSUFCU and the importance of having fun and enjoying your career.

The students from the Business Management 1 class would like to thank Ceara Grant and the other employees from MSUFCU for a wonderful day and a positive learning experience.

