



Marian Court College
TWO LIFE-CHANGING YEARS

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Marian Court College receives \$18,000 grant from Eastern Bank

Swampscott – Marian Court College recently received \$18,000 from Eastern Bank Charitable Foundation to fund *Bridges to the Future*, a program developed by Marian Court College to assist economically disadvantaged high school seniors by enabling them to take a college course as part of their high school curriculum. Made possible by a grant provided by Eastern Bank, area high school students will have the chance to enroll in a technology foundations course taught on campus by Marian Court faculty. The program exposes high school seniors to a college atmosphere and curriculum and encourages them to consider pursuing a college education. Each student who successfully completes the ten-week course will be granted three college credits. Classes will be held twice a week and transportation to and from the college will be provided.

“We are grateful to Eastern Bank for their generosity and for supporting our mission to prepare students from all educational and socioeconomic backgrounds for lifelong learning through high-quality academic programs,” said Dr. Ghazi Darkazalli, President of Marian Court College. Marian Court College has had preliminary discussions with two area high schools regarding the program, which will be launched this spring semester. According to Lisa Carbone, Senior Vice President at Eastern Bank, “The mission of the Eastern Bank Charitable Foundation is to contribute, in a meaningful

way, to the health and vitality of the communities served by Eastern Bank. We are happy to support Marian Court College in its efforts to provide college pathways for high school students who might not otherwise have been able to pursue a postsecondary education due to financial challenges.”

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Marian Court College in Swampscott, Massachusetts, is a two-year co-educational, private college offering the Associate in Science degree and certificate programs. Founded by the Sisters of Mercy in 1964, Marian Court College equips students for lifelong learning and instills the core values of integrity, compassion, justice and service. Marian Court College is situated on a six-acre oceanside campus, formerly the “Summer White House” of President Calvin Coolidge.

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