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8/20: Advancing Tech Fall Kickoff & Professional
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8/26: Classes begin



The Weekly Update will come out every two weeks during the summer months.

PARKING DECALS AVAILABLE FOR THE UPCOMING YEAR (\$105)

You have the option to purchase a parking decal with a payroll deduction if you provide a signed receipt to the business office. The instructions to purchase a parking decal are below:

Sign into MyMTECH

Click on "Important Links" on the left sidebar

Click "General Resources"

Click "Parking Decal"

Verify your Mailing Address on the form

Enter your license plate number

Select the type of permit you are purchasing (A- Employees or Motorcycle)

Click Confirm

Choose your method of payment

Pay online with Credit Card

Pay in the Office (**For payroll deduction**)

Print receipt, sign it, and forward to the business office.

Decals will be sent in intercampus mail once they are paid for.

Questions? Email BusinessServices@mtech.edu

ADVANCING TECH FALL KICKOFF & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY

Please join us on **August 20th** for a reconfigured Fall kickoff beginning with the Advancing Tech Forum and a Keynote Address by Alex Beard, founder of the [Beard Collaborative](#). Everyone is invited for lunch in the Marcus Daly Dining Hall immediately afterwards. The afternoon will include an assortment of professional development sessions. Details will be available [here](#) soon.

KEYNOTE: The Unscripted Edge: Elevate Your Collaboration With Improvisation

11:00 am-12:00 pm, Library Auditorium

Step into Beard Collaborative's anti-keynote, a high-energy, interactive experience that will unlock your "Unscripted Edge." Dive into dynamic improvisation exercises designed to supercharge creativity, enhance teamwork, and sharpen your problem-solving skills. Say goodbye to stress and hesitation, and hello to confidence and agility. Tailored for Montana Tech's faculty and staff, this session will equip you with researched methodologies to elevate your career and infuse your professional and personal life with a fresh, innovative approach. Don't miss this opportunity to transform the way you work and live!

TURNITIN

Montana Technological University subscribes to Turnitin, text-matching identification software that can help instructors detect the presence of plagiarism, contract cheating, and AI-generated text in students' papers. Please note that the latter function does not preclude the permitted use of AI in assignment creation; instead, it opens up possibilities for critical thinking around the ethical and transparent use of AI-generated content in university coursework. Turnitin also simplifies remote assignment submission and comes with built-in electronic grading functions that significantly speed up the marking process.

The next Turnitin training session is scheduled for **Friday, August 23** from 1:00 until 2:30 in Engineering Hall room 106. Please consider attending this session if you are curious about Turnitin's AI detection and grading tools, have never used Turnitin, or want a Turnitin refresher.

WELLNESS CLASSES

Pilates and weights will again be offered this fall and spring semesters. Classes will begin on August 27 and go through May 1. Classes are as follows:

- Pilates (all abilities) is every Tuesday at noon in HPER 140 (Dance Room)
- Weights (all abilities) is every Thursday at noon in HPER 140 (Dance Room)
- Wellness Wednesdays every Wednesday. If you would like to participate, email Cheyenne at ccrooker1@mtech.edu for more information.

PAM HOGART STAFF SENATE FUND

Are you a current staff member looking at opportunities for professional development or to continue your education but struggling to find the funds? Look no further than the [Pam Hogart Staff Senate Fund](#). The purpose of the Fund is to provide support for continuing education and professional development for Montana Tech staff while building, promoting, and sustaining, the work of the Montana Tech Staff Senate. Apply [here](#). If you have any questions, please contact Jenna Snow, Staff Senate President, at jsnow2@mtech.edu or staffsenate@mtech.edu.

DINING SERVICES HOURS

Dining Services will be open as follows:

- **7/25-26:** Breakfast (7:30 am), Lunch (12:00 pm), Dinner (5:00 pm)
- **7/31:** Breakfast (7:30 am)

