

## Cisco Networking Academy Award for Going Above and Beyond



On July 16<sup>th</sup>, Moraine Valley Community College received a Cisco Networking Academy Award for Going Above and Beyond during the Cisco Academy Conference in San Jose, California.

Moraine's Academy Area Manager, Clydene Stangvik, nominated Moraine Valley Community College due to its global focus on Data Security by establishing the first comprehensive Cyber Security Center (CSSIA), funded by the National Science Foundation. This funding helped establish the Virtualization Data Center, which is a one-of-a-kind Cyber Lab with nearly 200 servers from which students can virtually participate in competitions. CSSIA also developed cyber defense coursework to incorporate into the CCNA Security curriculum and has become a national resource to educate institutions for cyber defense competitions, training and career readiness.