

## ACCREDITATION, APPROVAL, AND LICENSURE OF INSTITUTION AND PROGRAMS

#### History

The Ohio Valley Business College was organized in 1886 in East Liverpool, Ohio, by John Sant, who conducted its business and directed the institution until 1889.

The year 1889 saw the College purchased by J. F. Cooper, who continued with the program of study. Within that year, the College changed hands again, ownership passing to William Steele and Frank Fowler. On August 21, 1889, the Rev. J. H. Weaver purchased the College and retiring at age 85, left the school and its operation to his son.

The College was housed in the Reed Building on Market Street until 1905 when fire destroyed that section of the Diamond. The school was relocated to the Brooks Building at 423 Market Street. Mrs. Marie Stier and Howard S. Graham purchased the school in 1940. In 1968, Mrs. Stier assumed full ownership.

James E. Stanley purchased the College from Mrs. Stier in 1970. In June of 1980, June M. Bourne and Doris R. McKinnon, purchased the school and its equipment. Debra A. Sanford purchased Doris R. McKinnon's stock in June 1991 when Doris R. McKinnon retired. West Virginia Career College @ Charleston, Inc. purchased an interest in the College in July 1997. In August of 1998, the college was moved to 16808 St. Clair Ave., East Liverpool.

Webster College, Inc.- A West Virginia Corporation purchased the stock of Ohio Valley Business College, Inc. in June of 2000.

Effective June 1, 2002 the College's name was changed to Ohio Valley Business College to better represent the focus of the institution's degree programs.

In July 2010, the College relocated to a new campus located at 15258 State Route 170 in St. Clair Township. In 2013, the College opened a Learning Center offering non-accredited, short-term certificate programs in Boardman, Ohio.

# Approvals/Accreditation/Authorization to Operate

East Ohio College is institutionally accredited by the Accrediting Bureau of Health Education Schools to award diplomas and associate's degrees. The Accrediting Bureau of Health Education Schools contact information is 6116 Executive Blvd, Suite 730, North Bethesda, MD 20852 (ABHES). Phone: (301) 291-7550.

Students who have concerns/complaints not addressed to their satisfaction may contact the Accrediting Bureau of Health Education Schools at 6116 Executive Blvd, Suite 730, North Bethesda, MD 20852 (ABHES). Phone: (301) 291-7550.

The College is registered with and its degree programs are authorized by the Ohio State Board of Career Colleges and Schools, 30 East Broad Street, Suite 2481, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3138, Phone (614) 466-2752, John Ware, J.D., Executive Director. Registration #00-07-1555B. The Boardman Training Center is also registered with and its programs are authorized by the Ohio State Board of Career Colleges and Schools. Programs offered at the Boardman Training Center are NOT accredited.

The East Ohio College Nursing program has been granted full approval by the Ohio Board of Nursing. 17 South High Street, Suite 660, Columbus, Ohio 43215-7410. (614)466-3947

East Ohio College is approved for the training of Veterans.

Accreditation is a complex subject. This institution is "institutionally" accredited by a national accreditation agency. Other types of accreditation include regional institutional, and programmatic accreditation. The type of accreditation can impact important student benefits, such as academic credit transfer and graduate job eligibility. Prospective students should direct any accreditation questions to the Campus President before enrolling.

Note: For the most current information regarding Approvals/Accreditation/Authorizations, please ask the Campus President.

Students have the right to review all documents describing accreditation, approval, or licensing. A request for such review should be made to the Executive Director of the campus. The Executive Director will make accreditation, approval, and or licensing documents available for review at an agreed upon time and location.

### **Statement of Legal Control**

Ohio Valley Business College, Inc. DBA East Ohio College is a private corporation. It operates only one campus in East Liverpool, Ohio. The corporation has no other campuses and is not affiliated with any other private or public organization or educational institution. Ohio Valley Business College, Inc. is a wholly owned subsidiary of Webster College, Inc.-A West Virginia Corporation. OVCT operates under policies and guidelines established by itsBoard of Directors. Its Chief Executive Officer is its on-site Campus President.

The Campus President is charged with responsibility to manage all aspects of campus operation and to exercise such discretion as he/she deems appropriate, within the broad guidelines and policies established by the Board of Directors. The institution's corporate officers execute legal documents and perform other ministerial functions as required of corporate officers by law. No corporate officer has management or administrative responsibility and is not in a chain of command, unless he or she also holds the position of Campus President.

### **Institutional Operating Standards**

The following standards have been adopted by this institution to govern its operations and establish expectations for all employees:

To provide quality value-added service to our students,

To exhibit a high level of ethical standards in every action taken and statement made,

To comply with all federal, state or other laws, rules or regulations,

To operate in the progressive, professional manner required in a competitive, worldwide marketplace while always maintaining the above three principles.

While these standards are general in nature, they reflect the institution's expectations that all employees and representatives act with integrity, honesty and fairness at all times. This applies to both conduct involving students and fellow employees as well as to the general public, the government, and all regulatory agencies and their staff. The institution recognizes that its reputation is its most valuable asset, and its reputation depends on the actions of its employees, hence, the above-stated requirements.

#### **Affiliations**

Ohio Association of Career Colleges and Schools
Vocational Rehabilitation: Ohio, Pennsylvania, West Virginia
State Approving Agency for Training of Veterans
National Health Career Association
Mahoning/Columbiana County Training Association
National League for Nursing
Southern Columbiana County Area Chamber of Commerce