



## Jamie Vadenburgh

### Dean of Workforce, Technical, and Professional Education

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Jamie Vadenburgh serves as the **Dean of Workforce, Technical, and Professional Education** at Jackson College. In this role, she provides strategic leadership in program review, assessment and Competency-Based Education (CBE). Jamie oversees the Professional Trades and Human Services academic pathways, ensuring that academic programs meet the evolving needs of both students and the workforce.

Jamie oversees the **Corporate and Continuing Education (CCE) department**, driving efforts in workforce partnership development, program growth, and continuous improvement. She collaborates closely with external stakeholders to ensure that Jackson College's educational offerings align with industry demands and the needs of the community. Under her leadership, the college has strengthened its partnerships with local industries, delivering programs that promote economic development, workforce readiness, and lifelong learning opportunities in the region.

Over the past two years, Jamie has successfully authored and secured over \$500,000 in grants aimed at advancing equitable access for adult learners and strengthening industry program alignment. These grants focus on enhancing Competency-Based Education (CBE) and Credit for Prior Learning (CPL) initiatives, ensuring that working adults are granted credit for skills they have acquired through experiential learning. Additionally, Jamie spearheaded the creation of **Harriet's Hub**, a student resource center and food pantry that supports the holistic well-being of learners, contributing to student success and retention.

Jamie's commitment extends to regional economic development, serving on the **Michigan Works! Southeast Workforce Board** and the **Workforce Intelligence Network (WIN) Board**. Through these roles, she collaborates with industry partners to drive community engagement, create workforce development opportunities, and ensure the college's programs remain relevant in a dynamic labor market. Her passion for creating inclusive, innovative educational pathways has already made an impact on both Jackson College and the local workforce.