



Activities and Projects Updates Summary

NETForce Meeting Date: May 1, 2015

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Recent Activities/Conferences

- Entrepreneurship Educators Workshop at Metro Community College-South Campus (March 27, 2015)

Free professional development opportunity for any Nebraska educator instructing entrepreneurial-minded students, including those from across the curriculum programming and entrepreneur/business instructors. Each participant received take-away resources to readily implement in the classroom for immediate student engagement. Participants shared a teaching tip, activity or recommended resource. See attached agenda.
- Youth and Young Adult Entrepreneurship Team Meeting-UNL Extension (March 30, 2015)
- EntrepreneuringDays@UNL (April 7-9, 2015)
 - Teaching and Research Round Table Discussion (April 7, 2015)
 - Distinguished Entrepreneur Awards Dinner (April 8, 2015)
- Metro Community College Student Quick Pitch Competition (April 9, 2015)
- 4th Annual Midwest Entrepreneurship Conference-The Kaneko (April 10-11, 2015)
- FCCLA Entrepreneurship State Star Event Judging (April 13, 2015)
- MarkeTECH Conference & NETForce Outstanding Entrepreneurship Service Award Presentation to Valley County Community Foundation Fund (April 22, 2015)
- Heartland Student Entrepreneur Conference at Metro Community College (April 24, 2015)
- EntrepreneuringDays@UNL Focus Group (April 29, 2015)
- Get Started Omaha Competition (April 30, 2015)

Ongoing Projects

- Nebraska Career Tours Virtual Industry Tours Project (ongoing)
 - Collaborative project with the Nebraska Department of Labor, Nebraska Department of Economic Development and Nebraska Career Education (NDE)
 - “Virtual tours” of Nebraska businesses in each of the 16 Career Clusters + Entrepreneurship and a Parent Video.
 - Completed: Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources; Architecture and Construction; Health Sciences; Information Technology; Manufacturing; STEM; Transportation, Distribution and Logistics

- In Production: Finance/Insurance; Marketing; Education and Training; Entrepreneurship; Parent Video
- Each Cluster video tours three different businesses representing that cluster.
- Teacher Discussion Guides are developed and provided free of charge via a link on the Nebraska Department of Education-Career Education home page <http://www.education.ne.gov/nce/Toolkit.html>

**Calendar of Events Dates (workshops, conferences and events you are hosting/sponsoring)
Please provide date, event title and web links to information:**

- **Nebraska Career Education Conference (June 1-4, 2015)**

Full Conference Information and Registration Information at www.nceconference.com

Entrepreneurship Sessions:

Pre-Session (Tuesday-June 2, 2015) 9:30-4:00

- Creating a Culture of Entrepreneurship in your School/Community

Main Conference (Wednesday-June 3, 2015)

- HP Life-Learning Initiative for Entrepreneurs (Specialized sessions for specific career fields throughout the schedule)
- Engaging Entrepreneurship Events for Nebraska Students
- The Valley County Phenomenon – Building an Entrepreneur Friendly Community & School
- One Town. Two Stoplights. Unlimited Possibilities
- Engler Agri-Entrepreneurship Program
- Shark Tank-Innovative Educators Edition Quick Pitch Competitions (\$2,250 in cash prizes)
 - Outstanding Classroom Best Practice
 - Innovative Career Technical Student Organization Activity
 - Effective Community Outreach

Main Conference (Thursday, June 4, 2015)

- The New World of Work and the Startup of You

Regional/National Conferences for Entrepreneurship

- Midwest Educators Forum on Entrepreneurship (June 24-26, 2015) – Mason City, IA www.niacc.edu/mefe
- National Entrepreneurship Education Forum (October 9-12, 2015) – Oklahoma City, OK <http://macc.memberlodge.org/event-1886780>
 - 2 1/2-hour hands-on workshops
 - 6-hour hands-on workshop
 - Concurrent 45-minute sessions
 - QuickStop 20-minute show and tell (usable, take-away ideas)
 - DeepThink Roundtable (90-minute) facilitator/presenter

Regional/National Conferences for Entrepreneurship (continued)

- National Association for Community College Entrepreneurship (NACCE) Annual Conference *Cultivating an Entrepreneurial Culture* (October 11-14, 2015) – Houston, TX
Conference Tracks:
 - President's Track –Mentor Your Senior Staff for Entrepreneurial Success
 - Be a Catalyst – Drive Culture Change & Apply the Entrepreneurial Method To Challenges
 - Co-Create an Entrepreneurial Culture in Your Larger Region
 - Best Practices in "Teaching" Entrepreneurship

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