

2006 - 2007 Nontraditional Careers Conference Grant



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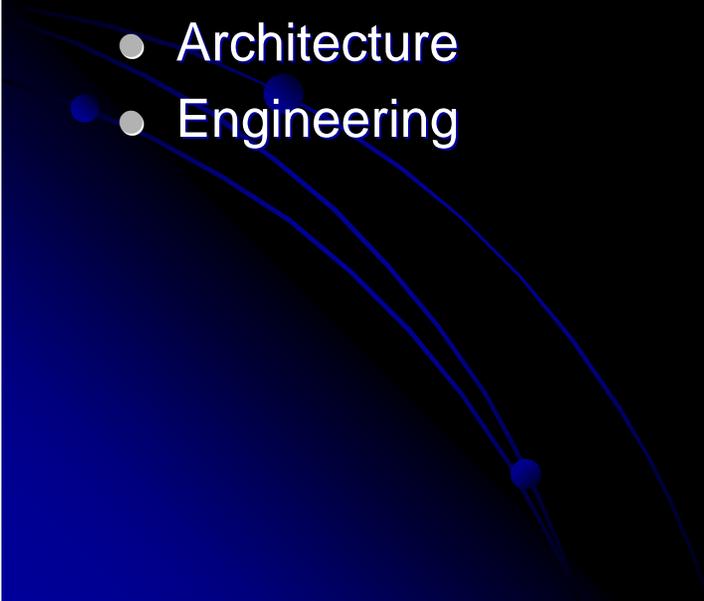
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Nontraditional Annual Report



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Accomplishments

- “Exploring Nontraditional Careers” was the theme of the 2006-2007 Nontraditional grant. Omaha metro area high schools had the opportunity this year to explore the following hands-on Non-Traditional careers:
 - Culinary Arts
 - Occupational Therapy
 - Nursing
 - Architecture
 - Engineering
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Breaking Traditional Roles: Exploring Nontraditional Careers

February 23-24, 2007, twenty-three teams from area high schools competed in Metropolitan Community College, Ron Sailors, Invitational. The invitational showcased the culinary and academic talents of high schools students participating. This years high school teams representing Bellevue East, Bellevue West, Benson, Bryan, Northwest, Omaha Career Center, Papillion LaVista, Papillion LaVista South competed. The invitational was composed of two contests, the hospitality knowledge bowl and the culinary skills competition.

Introductory Flyer

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metropolitan community college
fort omaha campus
february 23-24, 2007



build your team.

DETAILS

Who:
Open to all high school students

What:
Culinary Knowledge and Skill Competitions

Why:
Expand your palate
Advance your skills
Build your team

DATES

11/29/06
Intent to Participate
Due

12/12/06
Introductory & Mentor Meeting

1/15/07
Registration Packet
Due

EVENT MANAGEMENT

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February 23, 2007

3:00 – 5:00 pm	Fort Omaha Campus	Registration
4:30 – 5:30 pm	Fort Omaha Campus	Pizza & Ice Cream
5:30 pm	Fort Omaha Campus	Pre-Competition
6:00 – 8:00 pm	Fort Omaha Campus	Ron Sailors Hospitality Knowledge Bowl





February 24, 2007

9:00 – 6:00 pm	Fort Omaha Campus	Ron Sailors Culinary Competition
		Flight #1 – 9–11:30 am
		Flight #2 – 11:45 am – 2:15 pm
		Flight #3 – 2:30 – 5 pm
10:00 – 3:00 pm	Fort Omaha	Culinary Demonstrations & Exhibitions
6:30 – 7:00 pm	Fort Omaha	Awards & Recognitions



OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY, NURSING, ENGINEERING, ARCHITECTURE

On April 2 & 3, 2007, area high school students, who were enrolled in MCC's Bridge to Success learning community, participated in a special opportunity to explore non-traditional careers.

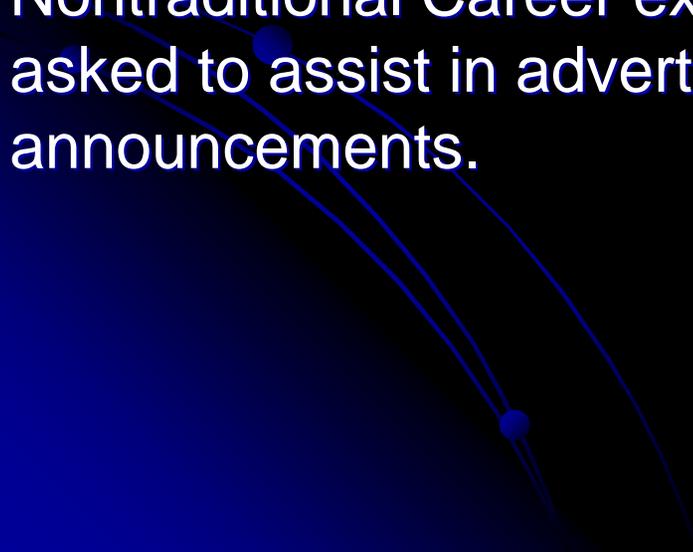
High school students met with engineering students at the University of Nebraska Lincoln (UNL). UNL students currently enrolled in the engineering, architecture, and nursing programs spoke to the Bridge to Success students regarding the career options.

The UNL students discussed the high school classes they should enroll in, the importance of good grades, and the salary discrepancies between traditional and non-traditional careers.

Advisory Committee

Committee members consist of Single Parent staff, the YWCA, Omaha High School Counselors, and the Omaha Public School Career Center.

MCC personnel met with each organization to discuss and plan the Culinary Arts Invitational and the Bridge to Success Nontraditional Career exploration events. Each organization was asked to assist in advertising the event via posters and daily announcements.



Recommendation for the Future

Some student participants have experienced difficulty with transportation to and from the event. Laidlaw bus service would eliminate these concerns.

Advertising the event should begin in December as opposed to January. This would allow schools more time to inform students, practice their entrees and prepare for the food knowledge bowl competition.

