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 entrepreneur-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)
  o Teaching and Research Round Table Discussion (April 7, 2015)
  o 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)
  o Collaborative project with the Nebraska Department of Labor, Nebraska Department of Economic Development and Nebraska Career Education (NDE)
  o “Virtual tours” of Nebraska businesses in each of the 16 Career Clusters + Entrepreneurship and a Parent Video.
  o 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
  o Creating a Culture of Entrepreneurship in your School/Community

  Main Conference (Wednesday-June 3, 2015)
  o HP Life-Learning Initiative for Entrepreneurs (Specialized sessions for specific career fields throughout the schedule)
  o Engaging Entrepreneurship Events for Nebraska Students
  o The Valley County Phenomenon – Building an Entrepreneur Friendly Community & School
  o One Town. Two Stoplights. Unlimited Possibilities
  o Engler Agri-Entrepreneurship Program
  o 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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