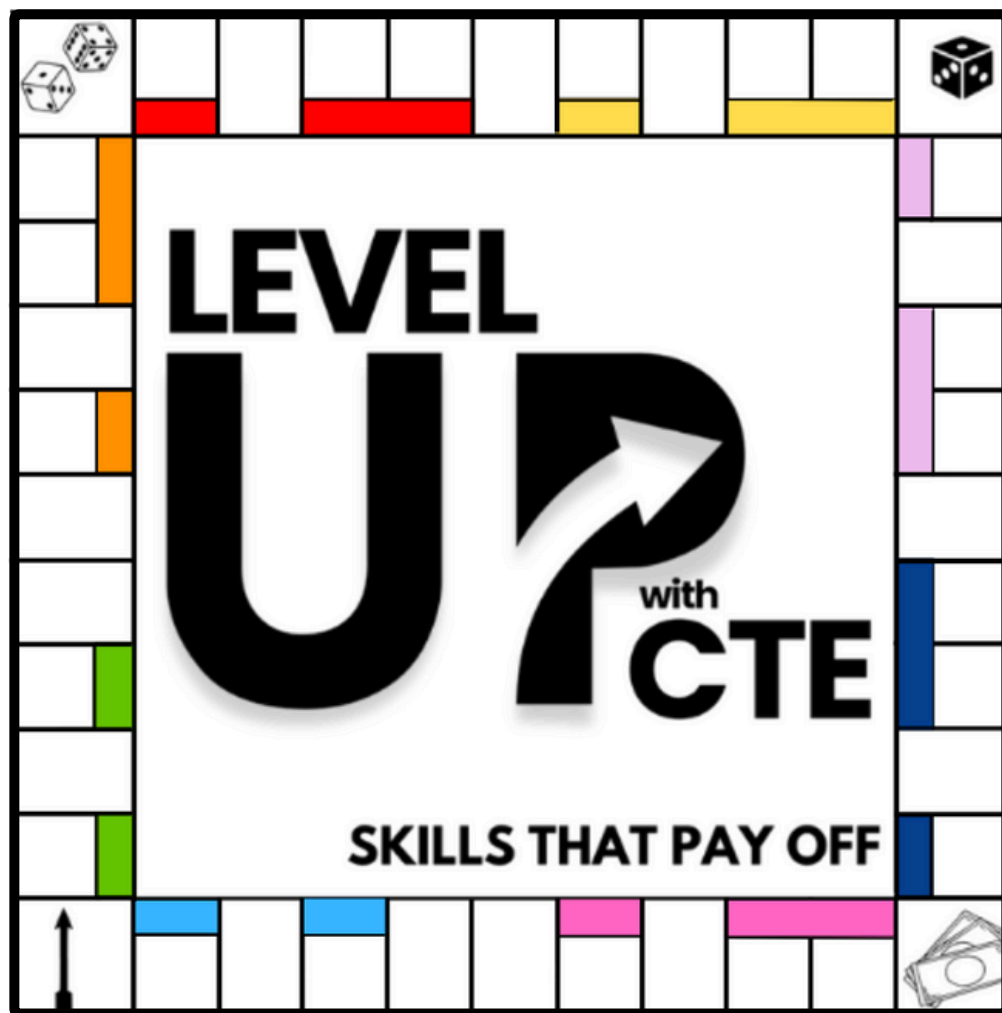




PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE

AUGUST 4-6, 2025



CONFERENCE WELCOME



WAYDE SICK

WELCOME TO THE 2025 CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION (CTE) PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE!

ALL OF US AT THE DEPARTMENT OF CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION ARE EXCITED TO HAVE YOU JOIN US AS WE GATHER TO GROW, CONNECT, AND SHARE IN OUR COMMON MISSION OF PREPARING STUDENTS FOR SUCCESS.

THIS YEAR'S THEME, ***"LEVEL UP WITH CTE: SKILLS THAT PAY OFF,"*** HIGHLIGHTS THE POWER OF CTE TO ELEVATE STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES, ENERGIZE CLASSROOMS, AND ALIGN LEARNING WITH REAL-WORLD SUCCESS. WHETHER YOU'RE A CLASSROOM TEACHER, ADMINISTRATOR, COUNSELOR, ADVISOR, WBL COORDINATOR, OR INDUSTRY PARTNER, YOUR WORK HELPS STUDENTS GAIN THE SKILLS THEY NEED TO THRIVE IN BOTH CAREER AND LIFE.

THROUGHOUT THE CONFERENCE, WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO TAKE FULL ADVANTAGE OF THE FEATURED SESSIONS, NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES, AND KEYNOTE PRESENTATIONS. LEARN SOMETHING NEW, SHARE YOUR EXPERTISE, AND LEAVE INSPIRED TO TAKE YOUR PROGRAMS—AND YOUR STUDENTS—TO THE NEXT LEVEL.

WE ASK YOU PLEASE COMPLETE THE EVALUATIONS PROVIDED THROUGHOUT THE CONFERENCE. THIS WILL ALLOW THE DEPARTMENT OF CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION STAFF TO IMPROVE THE SERVICES WE PROVIDE.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR DEDICATION TO CTE. LET'S LEVEL UP—TOGETHER!

SINCERELY,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Wayne Sick". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

WAYDE SICK,
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REAGAN PUGH

REAGAN DELIVERS KEYNOTE SPEECHES AND WORKSHOPS TO THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE EACH YEAR AND HAS WORKED WITH ORGANIZATIONS LIKE FACEBOOK, PEPSI, WHIRLPOOL, CARDINAL HEALTH, ALL BRANCHES OF THE US MILITARY, MEALS ON WHEELS, AND THE AMERICAN RED CROSS.

PRIOR TO WRITING AND SPEAKING FULL TIME, REAGAN GUIDED PROGRAMS ON STORYTELLING AND CULTURE AT COMPANIES LIKE NIKE, WESTERN DIGITAL, AND KIMBERLY CLARK AS CHIEF STORYTELLER FOR A GLOBAL MANAGEMENT CONSULTING FIRM.

FROM 2009 TO 2011, REAGAN SERVED AS A TENTH-GRADE ENGLISH TEACHER WITH TEACH FOR AMERICA ON THE ROSEBUD RESERVATION IN SOUTH DAKOTA. DURING THAT TIME, HE LAUNCHED A THEATER PROGRAM THAT, IN ITS INAUGURAL YEAR, WON THE STATE ONE- ACT PLAY COMPETITION FOR THE FIRST TIME.

REAGAN HAS INSTRUCTED AT TEXAS STATE UNIVERSITY, TRINITY UNIVERSITY, AND ANGELO STATE UNIVERSITY. HE CONTINUES TO PRIORITIZE SPEAKING TO STUDENT AUDIENCES THROUGHOUT THE UNITED STATES, HAVING VISITED OVER FIFTY COLLEGE CAMPUSES TO DATE.

REAGAN IS A TEDX SPEAKER AND FREQUENT PODCAST GUEST.

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LEVEL UP WITH CTE: THE ULTIMATE TRADESHOW CHALLENGE!

GET READY TO LEVEL UP WITH CTE AT THE TRADESHOW GRAND OPENING, TUESDAY, AUGUST 5 AT 10:30 AM! HERE'S HOW TO JOIN THE FUN AND START WINNING:

ENTER THE TRADESHOW:

AS YOU WALK THROUGH THE TRADESHOW DOORS, YOU'LL RECEIVE \$200 IN CTE BUCKS TO KICK OFF YOUR CONFERENCE EXPERIENCE!

PERSONALIZE YOUR BUCKS:

WRITE YOUR NAME CLEARLY ON THE BACK OF YOUR CTE BUCKS. THIS IS HOW WE'LL KNOW WHO TO AWARD THE PRIZES TO!

ENTER TO WIN PRIZES:

DROP YOUR SIGNED CTE BUCKS INTO THE PRIZE JARS STATIONED INSIDE THE TRADESHOW DOORS. EACH JAR CORRESPONDS TO A DIFFERENT EXCITING PRIZE—SO CHOOSE WISELY OR SPREAD OUT YOUR CHANCES!

GET READY TO POWER UP YOUR EXPERIENCE AS YOU STEP ONTO THE GIANT CTE-OPOLY GAME BOARD! IT'S MORE THAN JUST A TRADESHOW — IT'S YOUR CHANCE TO COLLECT, COMPETE, AND WIN.

YOUR MISSION: EXPLORE THE TRADESHOW FLOOR AND VISIT EACH BOOTH TO COLLECT PROPERTY CARDS FROM NORTH DAKOTA'S TOP CTE VENDORS. EACH CARD YOU EARN IS LIKE UNLOCKING AN ACHIEVEMENT — SNAP IT ONTO YOUR KEYRING AND KEEP LEVELING UP!

YOUR GOAL: JUST LIKE IN MONOPOLY, YOUR OBJECTIVE IS TO COMPLETE PROPERTY SETS. FOR EVERY FULL SET YOU COLLECT, HEAD TO THE ND CTE BOOTH TO CLAIM A REWARD TICKET.

WHAT'S A COMPLETE PROPERTY SET?: A COMPLETE PROPERTY SET IS A GROUP OF MATCHING PROPERTY CARDS — BASED ON COLOR GROUPS, JUST LIKE IN MONOPOLY!

EACH VENDOR BOOTH IS PART OF A COLOR GROUP. TO COMPLETE A SET, YOU MUST COLLECT ALL THE PROPERTY CARDS WITHIN THAT COLOR GROUP.

EXAMPLE:

- YELLOW SET = 4 VENDORS → COLLECT ALL 4 YELLOW CARDS = 1 COMPLETE PROPERTY SET
- GREEN SET = 5 VENDORS → COLLECT ALL 5 GREEN CARDS = 1 COMPLETE PROPERTY SET

ONCE YOU'VE COMPLETED A SET, BRING YOUR KEYRING TO THE ND CTE BOOTH AND CLAIM A REWARD TICKET.

MORE SETS = MORE REWARDS: THE MORE COMPLETE SETS YOU BUILD, THE MORE TICKETS YOU EARN — AND MORE CHANCES TO SCORE AWESOME PRIZES. SO KEEP COLLECTING AND KEEP PLAYING!

POWER UP YOUR PRIZES: THE PRIZE DROP CHALLENGE: EACH PRIZE HAS ITS OWN DROP BUCKET. WANT SOMETHING SPECIFIC? DROP ALL YOUR TICKETS INTO ONE BUCKET TO BOOST YOUR ODDS. PREFER TO PLAY THE FIELD? SPREAD THEM OUT FOR A SHOT AT MULTIPLE PRIZES.

BONUS LEVEL: GRAND PRIZE DRAWING: COMPLETE THE ENTIRE BOARD BY COLLECTING EVERY PROPERTY CARD AND UNLOCK A BONUS TICKET THAT ENTERS YOU INTO THE EXCLUSIVE GRAND PRIZE DRAWING! ONLY THOSE WHO FINISH THE FULL QUEST QUALIFY — SO GO ALL IN!

YOUR CTE TOOLKIT: WHEN THE GAME'S OVER, THE VALUE DOESN'T STOP. YOUR KEYRING BECOMES A READY-TO-USE CLASSROOM RESOURCE, PACKED WITH CONTACT INFO AND INSIGHTS FROM EVERY VENDOR YOU MET.

GAME ON.

PRIZES AWAIT.

LEVEL UP AND WIN BIG WITH CTE!

2025 CONFERENCE SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE

SUNDAY | AUGUST 3RD

4:00 - 6:00 PM	NDACTE BOARD MEETING	SIDELINES SPORTS BAR 300 S 5TH ST, BISMARCK, ND 58504
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MONDAY | AUGUST 4TH

8:00 AM - 4:00 PM	REGISTRATION	LOWER LOBBY
9:00 AM - 10:30 AM	FIRST GENERAL SESSION FOR 1 ST & 2 ND YEAR EDUCATORS	HALL A
10:30 AM - 11:50 AM	NEW TEACHERS BREAKOUTS (1ST & 2ND YEAR TEACHERS)	HALL A
11:50 AM - 1:10 PM	NEW TEACHER LUNCHEON (1ST & 2ND YEAR TEACHERS) *PRE-REGISTERED	HALL A
1:30 PM - 3:00 PM	GENERAL SESSION AND KEYNOTE SPEAKER	HALL A
3:15 PM - 5:00 PM	PROGRAM AREA SESSIONS – REQUIRED	SEE PROGRAM AREA
5:15 PM	ASSOCIATION MEETINGS/ACTIVITIES	SEE PROGRAM AREA
5:15 PM - 6:15 PM	NDACTE SOCIAL	SIDELINES SPORTS BAR 300 S 5TH ST, BISMARCK, ND 58504

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SCHEDULES?
CHECK OUT THE PDC APP!

FOR A QUICK PROGRAM REFERENCE,
DOWNLOAD THE PDC APP [HERE](#).

OR SCAN THE QR CODE WITH YOUR
SMARTPHONE CAMERA!



2025 CONFERENCE SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE

TUESDAY | AUGUST 5TH

7:30 AM – 2:00 PM	REGISTRATION	LOWER LOBBY
7:30 AM - 8:15 AM	ACTE MEETING	PRAIRIE ROSE 105
8:30 AM - 9:15 AM	PROGRAM AREA TIME WITH SUPERVISORS OR SPEAKERS	SEE PROGRAM AREA
9:30 AM - 10:30 AM	GENERAL SESSION - AWARDS	HALL A
10:30 AM - 11:00 AM	EXHIBITOR GRAND OPENING	HALL B
11:00 AM - 1:00 PM	LUNCH, NETWORKING WITH EXHIBITORS, AND MINI-SESSIONS AVAILABLE	HALL B
12:15 PM - 1:00 PM	ICE CREAM SOCIAL	HALL B
1:00 PM - 1:45 PM	FEATURED SESSIONS	PAGES 10-12
2:00 PM - 2:45 PM	FEATURED SESSIONS	PAGES 12-15
2:30 - 3:15 PM	SNACK BREAK	HALL B
3:15 PM - 4:00 PM	FEATURED SESSIONS	PAGES 15-18
4:15 PM - 5:00 PM	FEATURED SESSIONS	PAGES 18-20
5:00 PM - 5:30 PM	EXHIBITOR GRAND FINALE – DOOR PRIZES ANNOUNCED (MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN)	HALL B
5:30 - 6:45 PM	NDACTE EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING	OAK

WEDNESDAY | AUGUST 6TH

8:00 AM - 4:00 PM	<p>PROGRAM AREA SESSIONS</p> <p>ADMINISTRATION: PAGES 23-24 AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION: PAGES 25-27 BUSINESS EDUCATION: PAGES 29-30 CAREER DEVELOPMENT/CAREER ADVISORS: PAGES 31-32 FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCES EDUCATION: PAGES 34-35 HEALTH SCIENCES EDUCATION: PAGE 36 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION: PAGES 37-39 MARKETING EDUCATION: PAGES 41-43 SPECIAL POPULATIONS: PAGE 44 TECHNOLOGY & ENGINEERING EDUCATION: PAGES 45-47 TRADE, INDUSTRY & TECHNICAL EDUCATION: PAGES 48-50</p>
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GENERAL INFORMATION

PDC APP:

THE 2025 PDC PROGRAM IS AVAILABLE AS AN APP. FOR A QUICK PROGRAM REFERENCE, DOWNLOAD THE PDC APP [HERE](#) OR SCAN THE QR CODE.



GRADUATE CREDIT:

ONE GRADUATE CREDIT WILL BE OFFERED FOR \$50.00 BY MINOT STATE UNIVERSITY, UNIVERSITY OF NORTH DAKOTA, NORTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY, AND VALLEY CITY STATE UNIVERSITY. PARTICIPANTS MAY RECEIVE CREDIT FROM ONLY ONE UNIVERSITY AND MAY PRE-REGISTER FOR CREDIT AT ANY TIME AT WWW.CTE.ND.GOV/PDC. REGISTRATION WILL REMAIN OPEN ONLINE FOR ONE WEEK AFTER THE CONFERENCE, PLEASE CHECK THE UNIVERSITY WEBSITES FOR DEADLINES.

TO RECEIVE GRADUATE CREDIT, YOU MUST ATTEND AT LEAST 15 HOURS OF SESSIONS ON MONDAY, TUESDAY, AND WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 4, 5, AND 6. YOU WILL THEN LOG THESE HOURS AND SUBMIT AN ASSIGNMENT ONLINE BY NOON ON AUGUST 18, 2025. THE LINK TO THE ONLINE ASSIGNMENT WILL BE AVAILABLE STARTING AT NOON WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6, [HERE](#). ALL ASSIGNMENTS MUST BE SUCCESSFULLY SUBMITTED NO LATER THAN 12:00 PM CT, AUGUST 18, 2025, TO BE CONSIDERED FOR CREDIT.

YOU MUST COMPLETE THE ASSIGNMENT AND SESSION TRACKING ONLINE ON THE PORTAL, FOUND ON THE ND CTE WEBSITE (PDC GRADUATE CREDIT TAB), AFTER THE CONFERENCE IS FINISHED; NO REMINDER EMAIL WILL BE SENT TO YOU TO DO THIS. PLEASE VISIT WWW.CTE.ND.GOV/PDC FOR FULL INSTRUCTIONS OR CONTACT MICHAEL NETZLOFF: MNETZLOFF@ND.GOV.

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION:

UPON REQUEST, ATTENDEES MAY RECEIVE A “CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION” BY EMAIL WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THE CONCLUSION OF THE EVENT. SIGNING IN TO YOUR SPECIFIC PROGRAM AREA SESSIONS ON WEDNESDAY WILL SHOW PROOF OF ATTENDANCE.

TUESDAY EVALUATIONS:

A REAL-TIME EVALUATION TOOL WILL BE USED FOR TUESDAY’S FEATURED SESSIONS. EACH SESSION IS LISTED ON PAGES 10-19 OF THIS PROGRAM. SUBMIT YOUR EVALUATIONS [HERE](#) OR BY SCANNING THE QR CODE WITH YOUR SMARTPHONE CAMERA.



FEATURED SESSIONS



ENGAGE & CONNECT



LISTEN & LEARN



PARTICIPATE & SHARE



EXPLORE & CREATE

TUESDAY 1:00 PM

BECOMING A MENTOR WITH ND RISE

ERIN JACOBSON, ND RISE

THIS SESSION WILL INTRODUCE EDUCATORS TO THE PURPOSE, IMPACT, AND OPPORTUNITIES OF SERVING AS A MENTOR IN THE ND RISE STATEWIDE MENTORING PROGRAM. PARTICIPANTS WILL EXPLORE WHAT EFFECTIVE MENTORING LOOKS LIKE IN NORTH DAKOTA, LEARN ABOUT EXPECTATIONS AND SUPPORTS FOR NEW MENTORS, AND DISCOVER HOW BECOMING A MENTOR HELPS GROW LEADERSHIP CAPACITY WHILE STRENGTHENING TEACHER RETENTION. WHETHER YOU'RE CURIOUS ABOUT MENTORING FOR THE FIRST TIME OR LOOKING TO EXPAND YOUR INFLUENCE IN YOUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY, THIS SESSION WILL OFFER PRACTICAL INSIGHTS AND INSPIRATION FOR TAKING THE NEXT STEP.

PRAIRIE ROSE 101



BRIDGING INDUSTRY AND EDUCATION: STRATEGIES FOR EFFECTIVE ADVISORY COMMITTEES

*MICHELLE CAULEY, DAKOTA COLLEGE AT BOTTINEAU
LINDA BURBIDGE, DAKOTA COLLEGE AT BOTTINEAU*

ADVISORY COMMITTEES ARE REQUIRED FOR K-12 AND POST SECONDARY CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS TO GLEAN INSIGHT AND EXPERTISE FROM INDUSTRY. DEVELOPING AND MAINTAINING THESE PARTNERSHIPS CAN BE CHALLENGING DUE TO BUDGETARY AND TIME LIMITATIONS. JOIN US TO LEARN APPROACHES USED TO ENGAGE OUR COMMITTEE, FOSTER ROBUST DISCUSSIONS, AND DEVELOP MEANINGFUL KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES (KSAS) ALL WHILE RESPECTING TIME CONSTRAINTS.

PRAIRIE ROSE 102



AMPLIFYING IMPACT: PARTNERING WITH JA

MARIE BUCHLI, JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT

DISCOVER HOW JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAMS CAN ENHANCE AND SUPPORT YOUR EXISTING CTE INITIATIVES BY BRINGING REAL-WORLD RELEVANCE TO THE CLASSROOM. THIS SESSION WILL EXPLORE HOW JA'S HANDS-ON EXPERIENCES IN FINANCIAL LITERACY, WORK READINESS, AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP ALIGN WITH CAREER PATHWAYS AND HELP PREPARE STUDENTS FOR SUCCESS BEYOND GRADUATION. JOIN US TO LEARN HOW PARTNERING WITH JA CAN AMPLIFY THE IMPACT YOU'RE ALREADY MAKING.

PRAIRIE ROSE 103



MAKING YOUR CTSO CASH FLOW: MANAGING YOUR STUDENT ORGANIZATION'S FUNDS

ERIK JOHNSON, TEACHER

MANAGING A CAREER AND TECHNICAL STUDENT ORGANIZATION (CTSO) IS A MASSIVE UNDERTAKING. PERHAPS ONE OF THE MOST DAUNTING TASKS IS KEEPING YOUR CTSO'S BANK ACCOUNT IN THE BLACK. LEARN ABOUT DIFFERENT OPTIONS FOR KEEPING CTSO FINANCIAL RECORDS, WORKING WITH YOUR SCHOOL'S BUSINESS OFFICE, AND RAISING THE FUNDS NECESSARY TO SUPPORT A FULL YEAR'S WORTH OF HIGH-QUALITY STUDENT ACTIVITIES.

PRAIRIE ROSE 104



FEATURED SESSIONS



ENGAGE & CONNECT



LISTEN & LEARN



PARTICIPATE & SHARE



EXPLORE & CREATE

TUESDAY 1:00 PM

MAKING WBL WORK IN AG TECH

*BROOK THIEL, NDSU
PATRICK MINEER, GOLDEN PATH SOLUTIONS
CARMEL MILLER, NDSU*

NORTH DAKOTA, HOME TO THE NSF AG TECH ENGINE (FARMS), IS RAPIDLY EMERGING AS A HUB FOR INNOVATION AT THE INTERSECTION OF AGRICULTURE AND TECHNOLOGY. THIS WORKSHOP WILL EXPLORE CAREER PATHWAYS AND WORK-BASED LEARNING (WBL) OPPORTUNITIES IN THE AG TECH WORKFORCE. PARTICIPANTS WILL ALSO LEARN EFFECTIVE STRATEGIES THAT CTE TEACHERS CAN USE TO ENHANCE AND EXPAND THEIR WBL PROGRAMS, INCLUDING HOW TO DRIVE MORE OPPORTUNITIES FOR SMALLER, RURAL SCHOOLS, LEVERAGING LOCAL PARTNERSHIPS, NDSU EXTENSION PROGRAMS, AND THE FARMS ECOSYSTEM.

PRAIRIE ROSE 105



THE PARTICIPATION PRINCIPLE: HOW SMALL, IMPERFECT ACTIONS QUIET THE VOICES OF SHAME & SELF-DOUBT

REAGAN PUGH, KEYNOTE

IN THIS POWERFUL SESSION, REAGAN PUGH UNPACKS THE PARTICIPATION PRINCIPLE, THE IDEA THAT FULFILLMENT COMES NOT FROM PERFECTION, BUT FROM SMALL, HONEST ACTIONS TAKEN EVEN WHILE WE FEEL DOUBT. DRAWING FROM HIS BOOK TOO EMOTIONAL AND YEARS OF COACHING LEADERS, HE HELPS PARTICIPANTS MOVE BEYOND SHAME AND SELF-DOUBT, AND INTO PURPOSEFUL ACTION. YOU'LL LEAVE WITH TOOLS TO DISARM YOUR INNER CRITIC, EMBRACE IMPERFECTION, AND START SHOWING UP MORE FULLY — NOT ONCE YOU'RE CONFIDENT, BUT TO BECOME CONFIDENT. BECAUSE PARTICIPATION IS WHERE THE REAL STORY BEGINS. ADDITIONAL WORKSHOP DETAILS CAN BE FOUND IN THE EVENT APP.

HALL A



NAVIGATING THE EVOLVING LANDSCAPE OF CYBERSECURITY EDUCATION

*SHANNON BLOMKER, NDT - EDUTECH
JILL BAIRD, NDT - EDUTECH*

JOIN US TO EXPLORE THE LATEST UPDATES IN THE CYBER.ORG CYBERSECURITY CURRICULUM PATHWAYS, INCLUDING INTRO TO CYBERSECURITY. THIS SESSION WILL PROVIDE VALUABLE RESOURCES AND PRACTICAL TOOLS TO HELP 9-12 EDUCATORS EFFECTIVELY TEACH CYBERSECURITY AND PREPARE STUDENTS FOR DIGITAL CHALLENGES. LEARN HOW TO BECOME CERTIFIED TO TEACH CYBER.ORG'S CYBERSECURITY CURRICULUM. WE WILL ALSO DISCUSS PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND CREDENTIALING OPTIONS AND HOW YOUR SCHOOL CAN BUILD STUDENTS' CYBERSECURITY SKILLS.

BIRCH / COTTONWOOD



BUILDING TOMORROW'S LEADERS, A LEADERSHIP PROGRAM FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

MARIE HVIDSTEN, NDSU EXTENSION

THIS SESSION WILL DISCUSS THE EIGHT MODULES FROM THE BUILDING TOMORROW'S LEADERS (BTL) PROGRAM. PARTICIPANTS WILL EXPERIENCE SEVERAL OF THE BTL ACTIVITIES FROM THE EIGHT BTL MODULES. THE BTL PROGRAM IS A COMPREHENSIVE CIVIC ENGAGEMENT AND LEADERSHIP PROGRAM GEARED TO HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS (BTL JR. IS AVAILABLE FOR 7TH AND 8TH GRADE STUDENTS). BTL EMPOWERS STUDENTS TO GET INVOLVED IN THEIR SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY, BUILDS CONFIDENCE AND STRENGTHENS SKILLS STUDENTS NEED TO SUCCEED, ASSISTS STUDENTS IN DEVELOPING THEIR PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL NETWORKS AND HELPS STUDENTS COMPLETE A SCHOOL OR COMMUNITY PROJECT. THE BTL PROGRAM COMPLIMENTS THE ND CHOICE READY FRAMEWORK SKILLS AND ALIGNS WELL WITH THE ND CONTENT STANDARDS IN CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION, ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS, LIBRARY AND TECHNOLOGY, AND SOCIAL STUDIES. THE PROGRAM WAS DEVELOPED IN PARTNERSHIP WITH NDSU EXTENSION AND THE ND DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION (DPI).

LINDEN / MAPLE



FEATURED SESSIONS



ENGAGE & CONNECT



LISTEN & LEARN



PARTICIPATE & SHARE



EXPLORE & CREATE

TUESDAY 1:00 PM

BRINGING APPLIED ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE INTO THE CTE CLASSROOM

MIKE DIETRICH, MIDWEST LABS

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE ISN'T JUST CHANGING THE WORLD—IT'S RESHAPING THE FUTURE OF WORK. FROM MANUFACTURING AND ROBOTICS TO HEALTHCARE AND AGRICULTURE, AI IS CHANGING CAREERS IN EVERY INDUSTRY. BUT MOST AI EDUCATION STOPS AT CODING AND CHATBOTS.

WHAT IF STUDENTS COULD INTERACT WITH AI THE SAME WAY INDUSTRY DOES? IN THIS SESSION, WE'LL INTRODUCE DISCOVER AI—A TURNKEY, SCALABLE AI LEARNING LAB DESIGNED FOR HANDS-ON, CAREER-DRIVEN EDUCATION. THROUGH ENGAGING CURRICULUM AND REAL-WORLD AI EXPERIENCES, STUDENTS DEVELOP A COMPETENCY PORTFOLIO THAT DEMONSTRATES THEIR SKILLS IN AI-POWERED FIELDS.

WE'LL EXPLORE HOW CTE AND STEM PROGRAMS CAN INTEGRATE APPLIED AI, PROVIDING PRACTICAL STRATEGIES AND READY-TO-IMPLEMENT SOLUTIONS THAT MAKE AI EDUCATION HANDS-ON, ACCESSIBLE, AND INDUSTRY-RELEVANT. ATTENDEES WILL LEAVE WITH ACTIONABLE INSIGHTS ON HOW TO BRING APPLIED AI INTO THE CLASSROOM—PREPARING STUDENTS NOT JUST TO UNDERSTAND AI, BUT TO USE IT IN THE CAREERS OF TOMORROW.

PINE / SPRUCE



AASHTO NDDOT STEM DESIGN & CONSTRUCTION TRAIN THE TRAINER

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF STATE HIGHWAY AND TRANSPORTATION OFFICIALS AND ND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

ATTEND THIS TRAIN-THE-TRAINER SESSION TO LEARN HOW TO DELIVER THE DESIGN & CONSTRUCTION MODULE FOR GRADES 6–12. IDEAL FOR SCIENCE, MATH, TECHNOLOGY, AND SOCIAL STUDIES CLASSES, THIS STANDARDS-ALIGNED MODULE EXPLORES ROADWAY PLANNING THROUGH FOUR HANDS-ON ACTIVITIES. STUDENTS ANALYZE TRAFFIC FLOW USING EQUATIONS, DESIGN ROAD ROUTES CONSIDERING SOCIETAL IMPACTS, EXPLORE REAL ESTATE PRICING WITH SCATTERPLOTS, AND ESTIMATE CONSTRUCTION COSTS. ALIGNED WITH NCTM AND NCSS STANDARDS, THE MODULE BUILDS MATH, DATA, AND CRITICAL THINKING SKILLS. PARTICIPANTS RECEIVE A FULL KIT OF MATERIALS AND LEAVE READY TO TEACH THIS ENGAGING, REAL-WORLD STEM AND SOCIAL SCIENCE CURRICULUM IN THEIR OWN CLASSROOMS. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR THIS SESSION CAN BE FOUND IN THE EVENT APP.

OUTSIDE HALL D



TUESDAY 2:00 PM

FUELING THE FUTURE: TAKING CARE OF YOU TO TAKE CARE OF THEM

DANIELLE LUEBKE, COUNSELOR

AS CTE EDUCATORS, WE'RE PASSIONATE ABOUT PREPARING STUDENTS FOR SUCCESSFUL FUTURES—BUT OFTEN AT THE EXPENSE OF OUR OWN WELL-BEING. THIS SESSION IS A REMINDER THAT YOU ARE ONE OF YOUR PROGRAM'S MOST VALUABLE RESOURCES. JOIN US AS WE EXPLORE PRACTICAL STRATEGIES FOR MANAGING STRESS, PROTECTING YOUR MENTAL HEALTH, AND BUILDING SUSTAINABLE SELF-CARE ROUTINES THAT ACTUALLY WORK. THROUGH REFLECTION, HUMOR, AND REAL-LIFE TOOLS, WE'LL FOCUS ON HOW TO FUEL OURSELVES SO WE CAN KEEP FUELING OUR STUDENTS. BECAUSE YOU CAN'T TAKE CARE OF ANYONE ELSE IF YOU DON'T TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF.

PRAIRIE ROSE 101



PREPARING YOUTH FOR THEIR NEXT CHAPTER: EQUIPPING STUDENTS WITH LIFE AND CAREER READINESS

MARGO BOWERMAN, NDSU EXTENSION
JENNA RADTKE, NDSU EXTENSION

PLANNING FOR LIFE AFTER HIGH SCHOOL CAN FEEL OVERWHELMING FOR STUDENTS, BUT WITH THE NEXT CHAPTER CURRICULUM, CTE EDUCATORS CAN HELP YOUNG PEOPLE BUILD THE SKILLS, CONFIDENCE, AND MINDSET THEY NEED TO TAKE CHARGE OF THEIR FUTURES. IN THIS INTERACTIVE WORKSHOP, PARTICIPANTS WILL EXPLORE PRACTICAL LESSON PLANS AND HANDS-ON ACTIVITIES THAT SUPPORT STUDENTS IN SETTING MEANINGFUL GOALS, DEVELOPING ESSENTIAL LIFE AND EMPLOYABILITY SKILLS, AND EXPLORING CAREER AND EDUCATION PATHWAYS. ALIGNED WITH CAREER-READY PRACTICES, THE SESSION WILL INCLUDE LESSON PLANS YOU CAN IMMEDIATELY USE WITH YOUR STUDENTS. COME READY TO ENGAGE, SHARE IDEAS, AND LEAVE WITH TOOLS THAT WILL HELP YOUR STUDENTS SUCCESSFULLY TRANSITION TO LIFE BEYOND HIGH SCHOOL.

PRAIRIE ROSE 102



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TUESDAY 2:00 PM

FROM POLICY TO PRACTICE: MANAGING FOOD SALES TO STUDENTS DURING THE SCHOOL DAY

AMY NELSON, ND DPI

THIS SESSION WILL SHOWCASE HOW TO IDENTIFY IF YOUR FOOD SALES TO STUDENTS DURING THE DAY ARE MEETING USDA SMART SNACKS STANDARDS.

PRAIRIE ROSE 103



IMPLEMENTING CAREERVIEWXR IN YOUR SCHOOL

LISA METZGER, CAREERVIEWXR

CAREER AWARENESS EMPOWERS STUDENTS TO MAKE INFORMED DECISIONS TO PURSUE FULFILLING AND SUCCESSFUL CAREER PATHS. IN THIS SESSION, LISA METZGER WILL SHARE BEST PRACTICES FOR USING CAREERVIEWXR IN YOUR SCHOOL, AND COVER BOTH THE WEB-BASED EXPERIENCES AND USING THE VR HEADSETS. LISA WILL ALSO SHARE ABOUT A PD COURSE OPPORTUNITY THAT WAS CREATED SPECIFICALLY FOR ND SCHOOLS USING CAREERVIEWXR AND HOW THE COURSE WILL HELP SCHOOLS IMPLEMENT CAREERVIEWXR. FEEL FREE TO BRING ALONG YOUR VR HEADSET TO TROUBLESHOOT AND/OR WORK TO GET IT SET UP WITH THE CVXR VIDEOS.

PRAIRIE ROSE 104



REDESIGNED FOR RESULTS: GET READY FOR THE NEW RUREADY.ND!

KIMBERLY BORDEN, XAP LLC

LAURA GLASSER, NDCTE

EXCITING CHANGES ARE COMING TO RUREADY.ND, DESIGNED TO PROVIDE A MORE MODERN AND STREAMLINED EXPERIENCE FOR STUDENTS. JOIN US TO EXPLORE THE REDESIGNED SITE LAYOUT, WHICH MAKES NAVIGATION MORE INTUITIVE AND USER-FRIENDLY. IN THIS SESSION, WE'LL WALK YOU THROUGH THE UPCOMING CHANGES, HIGHLIGHT KEY IMPROVEMENTS, AND DEMONSTRATE HOW THE UPDATED FEATURES WILL ENHANCE STUDENT ENGAGEMENT. WHETHER YOU'RE A LONG-TIME USER OR NEW TO THE PLATFORM, THIS PREVIEW WILL HELP YOU MAKE A SMOOTH TRANSITION TO THE NEW RUREADY.ND. DON'T MISS THIS OPPORTUNITY TO GET A FIRSTHAND LOOK AT THE FUTURE OF RUREADY.ND!

PRAIRIE ROSE 105



THE NEW CAREER READY PRACTICE RUBRICS

MICHAEL NETZLOFF, ND CTE

THE 12 CAREER READY PRACTICES HAS CHANGED! THIS WORKSHOP WILL PROVIDE INFORMATION ON HOW THE NEW RUBRICS REFLECT THIS CHANGE AND HOW THEY WILL BE USED IN THE CLASSROOM GOING FORWARD.

HALL A



INTEGRATING ETHICS INTO THE CLASSROOM: EMPOWERING MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS USING ETHICAL LEADERSHIP RESOURCES

TAMMY CYRUS, MBA RESEARCH

ETHICAL BEHAVIOR INFLUENCES STUDENTS' CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT AND DECISION-MAKING SKILLS. FOSTERING A CULTURE OF ETHICAL PRINCIPLES HELPS STUDENTS MAKE GOOD DECISIONS. MBA RESEARCH HAS CREATED ETHICAL LEADERSHIP COURSE GUIDES AND INSTRUCTIONAL MODULES FOR MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL CLASSROOMS. TAKE A FEW MINUTES TO LEARN ABOUT PRINCIPLE-BASED ETHICS EDUCATION THAT EMPHASIZES THE IMPORTANCE OF ETHICS IN PERSONAL AND BUSINESS CONDUCT THROUGH THE DANIELS FUND ETHICS INITIATIVE. BY THE END OF THE SESSION, YOU WILL BETTER UNDERSTAND ETHICS AND ETHICAL BEHAVIOR. YOU WILL ALSO GAIN FREE ACCESS TO VARIOUS CLASSROOM RESOURCES, INCLUDING COURSE GUIDES, LESSON MODULES, AND MORE!

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IGNITING OPPORTUNITIES: BRINGING FIRE SCIENCE TO HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS THROUGH DUAL CREDIT

CLINT GILBERTSON, NDSCS

ARE YOU LOOKING FOR INNOVATIVE WAYS TO ENGAGE HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS IN CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION (CTE)? FIRE SCIENCE OFFERS A DYNAMIC, HANDS-ON PATHWAY COMBINING CLASSROOM INSTRUCTION AND REAL-WORLD EXPERIENCE. THIS WORKSHOP WILL EXPLORE HOW HIGH SCHOOLS CAN INTEGRATE FIRE SCIENCE INTO THEIR CURRICULUM THROUGH DUAL CREDIT OPPORTUNITIES WITH NORTH DAKOTA STATE COLLEGE OF SCIENCE (NDSCS). PARTICIPANTS WILL LEARN HOW STUDENTS CAN EARN COLLEGE CREDIT WHILE GAINING INDUSTRY-RECOGNIZED CERTIFICATIONS AND PRACTICAL FIREFIGHTING EXPERIENCE. WE'LL DISCUSS PROGRAM STRUCTURE, PARTNERSHIPS WITH LOCAL FIRE DEPARTMENTS, AND THE BENEFITS OF EARLY CAREER EXPLORATION IN THE FIRE SERVICE. WHETHER YOU'RE AN EDUCATOR, ADMINISTRATOR, OR INDUSTRY PARTNER, THIS SESSION WILL PROVIDE VALUABLE INSIGHTS ON EXPANDING CTE OFFERINGS TO INCLUDE FIRE SCIENCE AND PREPARING THE NEXT GENERATION OF FIRST RESPONDERS.

LINDEN / MAPLE



STUDENT-DESIGNED TOOLS

CLAYTON MANNIE, VCSU

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN TOOLS THIS PRESENTATION WILL SHOW HOW TO INCORPORATE STUDENT-DESIGNED TOOLS INTO YOUR CURRICULUM. SEVERAL TOOLS WILL BE DISCUSSED AND SHOWN THAT YOU COULD HAVE YOUR STUDENTS DESIGN AND MAKE, WHETHER YOU HAVE STUDENTS DESIGN TOOLS VIA PAPER AND PENCIL, OR CAD, THEY CAN THEN CUT OUT WITH A LASER, CNC, OR TRADITIONAL TOOLING. TOOL DESIGNS CAN BE DONE INDIVIDUALLY OR IN GROUPS. ITEEA'S STEL STANDARDS, CONTEXTS, AND PRACTICES ARE TIED TO THE PROJECTS.

PINE / SPRUCE



TUESDAY 3:00 PM

AASHTO NDDOT STEM BRIDGE BUILDER TRAIN THE TRAINER

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF STATE HIGHWAY AND TRANSPORTATION OFFICIALS AND ND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

ATTEND THIS TRAIN-THE-TRAINER SESSION TO LEARN HOW TO DELIVER THE DESIGN & CONSTRUCTION MODULE FOR GRADES 6–12. IDEAL FOR SCIENCE, MATH, TECHNOLOGY, AND SOCIAL STUDIES CLASSES, THIS STANDARDS-ALIGNED MODULE EXPLORES ROADWAY PLANNING THROUGH FOUR HANDS-ON ACTIVITIES. STUDENTS ANALYZE TRAFFIC FLOW USING EQUATIONS, DESIGN ROAD ROUTES CONSIDERING SOCIETAL IMPACTS, EXPLORE REAL ESTATE PRICING WITH SCATTERPLOTS, AND ESTIMATE CONSTRUCTION COSTS. ALIGNED WITH NCTM AND NCSS STANDARDS, THE MODULE BUILDS MATH, DATA, AND CRITICAL THINKING SKILLS. PARTICIPANTS RECEIVE A FULL KIT OF MATERIALS AND LEAVE READY TO TEACH THIS ENGAGING, REAL-WORLD STEM AND SOCIAL SCIENCE CURRICULUM IN THEIR OWN CLASSROOMS. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR THIS SESSION CAN BE FOUND IN THE EVENT APP.

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TUESDAY 3:15 PM

CRAFTING EFFECTIVE AI PROMPTS: A GUIDE FOR EDUCATORS

JACQUELINE SCHAIBLE, NDIT - EDUTECH
SHANNON BLOMKER, NDIT - EDUTECH

ENHANCE TEACHING STRATEGIES USING AI TECHNOLOGY. YOU WILL LEARN THE PRINCIPLES OF PROMPT ENGINEERING, EXPLORE BEST PRACTICES, AND DISCOVER HOW TO TAILOR PROMPTS TO ACHIEVE DESIRED OUTCOMES. BY THE END OF THIS SESSION, YOU'LL BE EQUIPPED WITH THE SKILLS TO CREATE EFFECTIVE PROMPTS THAT FOSTER CRITICAL THINKING, CREATIVITY, AND ENGAGEMENT AMONG YOUR STUDENTS.

PRAIRIE ROSE 101



NORTH DAKOTA SCHOLARSHIP UPDATES

JIM UPGREN, ND DPI

THIS SESSION WILL GIVE AN OVERVIEW OF UPDATES TO THE \$6000 NORTH DAKOTA SCHOLARSHIP UPDATES INCLUDE LEGISLATIVE UPDATES AS WELL AS GENERAL INFORMATION AND PROGRESS MONITORING INFORMATION.

PRAIRIE ROSE 102



ASSIGNING PROJECTS SHOULD NOT BE A PROJECT

BAILEY HAWBAKER, TEACHER

ASSESSMENTS WITHIN THE CLASSROOM CAN BE TOUGH, ESPECIALLY WHEN IT COMES TO ENGAGING STUDENTS IN THE ASSESSMENT. PROJECTS ALLOW YOU TO ASSESS NOT ONLY THE UNDERSTANDING OF YOUR LESSONS AT HAND BUT ALSO ALLOW THE STUDENTS TO USE THEIR CREATIVITY TO COMPLETE THE PROJECT. IN THE SESSION, I WILL GO OVER HOW I USE PROJECTS WITHIN MY CLASSROOM AS NOT ONLY AN ASSESSMENT TOOL BUT ALSO FOR EVERYDAY LEARNING.

PRAIRIE ROSE 103



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TUESDAY 3:15 PM

LEVEL UP YOUR CTSO COMPETITIVE TEAMS: STRATEGIES FOR SUCCESS

DAVID LEIER, TEACHER

UNLOCK THE FULL POTENTIAL OF YOUR CTSO COMPETITIVE TEAMS WITH THIS DYNAMIC WORKSHOP DESIGNED FOR EDUCATORS AND ADVISORS! DISCOVER PROVEN STRATEGIES TO BOOST TEAM PERFORMANCE, ENHANCE COLLABORATION, AND MASTER COMPETITION SKILLS. WE'LL COVER GOAL-SETTING, EFFECTIVE PRACTICE PLANNING, LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT, AND STRESS MANAGEMENT TO EMPOWER YOUR STUDENTS FOR SUCCESS. WALK AWAY WITH ACTIONABLE TOOLS AND A CLEAR GAME PLAN TO ELEVATE YOUR TEAMS TO NEW COMPETITIVE HEIGHTS. LET'S TURN PASSION INTO PODIUM FINISHES!

PRAIRIE ROSE 104



WHAT'S NEW IN COMPASS, INCLUDING NEW FEATURES, NEW PARTNERSHIPS, AND NEW SOLUTIONS FOR YOU AND YOUR STUDENTS NT-DESIGNED TOOLS

PATRICK MINEER, GOLDEN PATH SOLUTIONS

THIS SESSION WILL COVER ALL OF THE NEW ENHANCEMENTS FOR COMPASS, THE TOOL EMBEDDED WITHIN RUREADY.ND.GOV AND THE ND PROFESSIONAL CENTER. WE'LL COVER ENHANCEMENTS LIKE THE ADVANCED WORK-BASED LEARNING FUNCTIONALITY AROUND AGREEMENT MANAGEMENT, REFLECTIONS, AND OVERALL TRACKING. WE'LL COVER FEATURES LIKE INVITING EMPLOYERS TO ACCOUNTS AND SHARING YOUR EVENTS WITH THEM, AS WELL AS NEW FUNCTIONALITY AROUND JOB-SHADOW SCHEDULING AND IMPROVEMENTS TO MATCHING STUDENTS WITH EMPLOYERS. WE'LL COVER LEARNINGS FROM LAST YEAR AROUND THE 4-YEAR ROLLING PLAN PROCESS, AND DISCUSS FUTURE ACTIVITIES ESPECIALLY AS RELATES TO INFINITE CAMPUS. WE'LL DISCUSS NEW WAYS THAT COMPASS CAN SUPPORT SPECIAL EDUCATION AND TRANSITION PROGRAMS AND CONNECTIONS TO VOCATIONAL REHAB, AS WELL AS NEWLY ANNOUNCED PARTNERSHIPS WITH ORGANIZATIONS WITH CTE CENTERS IN NORTH DAKOTA, WHERE EMPLOYERS CAN SUPPORT BOTH LOCAL CENTERS AND ALSO LEVERAGE COMPASS TO CONNECT BROADLY WITH STUDENTS. FINALLY, WE'LL COVER SIMILAR PARTNERSHIPS WITH POST-SECONDARY INSTITUTIONS, INCLUDING 2-YEAR AND 4-YEAR PROGRAMS AS WELL AS CERTIFICATION PROVIDERS. IF YOU WANT A GENERAL OVERVIEW OF ALL THE WAYS ND CTE, GOLDEN PATH SOLUTIONS, AND XAP WITH RUREADY.ND.GOV ARE TRYING TO SUPPORT YOU, THIS IS YOUR SESSION!

PRAIRIE ROSE 105



GET OUT OF THEIR WAY: EMPOWERING STUDENT LEARNING THROUGH PROJECT-BASED LEARNING AND PROJECT MANAGEMENT

TAMMY CYRUS, MBA RESEARCH

ARE YOU READY TO TRANSFORM YOUR CLASSROOM FROM TEACHER-CENTERED TO STUDENT-DRIVEN? THIS DYNAMIC WORKSHOP EXPLORES THE POWERFUL INTERSECTION OF PROJECT-BASED LEARNING (PBL) AND PROJECT MANAGEMENT TOOLS. WHETHER YOU'RE NEW TO PBL AND PROJECT MANAGEMENT OR LOOKING TO REFINE YOUR APPROACH, THIS SESSION WILL GIVE YOU THE CONFIDENCE AND TOOLS NEEDED TO STEP BACK, LET GO, AND WATCH YOUR STUDENTS SOAR. JOIN US TO LEARN HOW STRATEGIC PROJECT MANAGEMENT CAN HELP YOU CREATE A CLASSROOM WHERE STUDENT INITIATIVE AND DEEP LEARNING NATURALLY FLOURISH.

BIRCH / COTTONWOOD



RESOURCES FOR AEROSPACE EDUCATION: MAKE YOUR CLASSROOM TAKE FLIGHT

THOMAS MATTHEW, TEACHER

JOIN THIS HANDS-ON WORKSHOP TO SPARK STUDENT INTEREST IN AEROSPACE AND AVIATION! START WITH A FUN, INTERACTIVE LESSON ON THE FOUR FORCES OF FLIGHT—AN ENGAGING ACTIVITY FOR ANY SUBJECT AREA. EXPLORE FREE, HIGH-QUALITY RESOURCES FOR INTEGRATING AEROSPACE INTO MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL CLASSROOMS. DISCOVER PROGRAMS LIKE LIMITLESS SPACE INSTITUTE, CIVIL AIR PATROL'S AEROSPACE EDUCATION, AND AOPA'S FOUR-YEAR AVIATION STEM CURRICULUM. LEARN HOW AVIATION CONNECTS TO CAREERS IN PILOTING, ENGINEERING, AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL, AND SPACE SCIENCE. LED BY THE 2025 A. SCOTT CROSSFIELD AEROSPACE TEACHER OF THE YEAR, THIS SESSION IS PERFECT FOR STEM EDUCATORS, CLUB ADVISORS, AND ANYONE READY TO INSPIRE. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR THIS SESSION CAN BE FOUND IN THE EVENT APP.

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TUESDAY 3:15 PM

THE FUTURE OF FARMING: TEACHING EMERGING AG TECHNOLOGY IN CTE

JORDAN JULIUS, MIDWEST LABS

AGRICULTURE IS EVOLVING RAPIDLY, AND STUDENTS NEED HANDS-ON EXPERIENCE WITH EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES THAT ARE SHAPING THE INDUSTRY. THIS SESSION WILL EXPLORE HOW TO INTEGRATE PRECISION AGRICULTURE INTO YOUR PROGRAM, MAKING ADVANCED CONCEPTS LIKE AUTOMATION, DATA ANALYTICS, AND ROBOTICS ACCESSIBLE TO STUDENTS. LEARN HOW INDUSTRY LEADERS LIKE JOHN DEERE ARE USING COLLABORATIVE ROBOTS AND CUTTING-EDGE TOOLS TO IMPROVE EFFICIENCY AND STAY COMPETITIVE - AND WHY THESE SAME SKILLS ARE CRITICAL FOR THE NEXT GENERATION OF AG PROFESSIONALS. WHETHER YOU'RE NEW TO PRECISION AG OR LOOKING TO EXPAND YOUR PROGRAM, THIS SESSION WILL SHOW YOU HOW YOU CAN KEEP YOUR PROGRAM RELEVANT AND GIVE STUDENTS THE SKILLS THEY NEED FOR THE FUTURE OF FARMING.

PINE / SPRUCE



TRAUMA FOCUSED EQUINE ASSISTED LEARNING

*LORI NELSON, NHSC
KATIE OAKLAND, TR 4 HEART AND SOUL*

TRAUMA FOCUSED EQUINE ASSISTED LEARNING ENGAGES EDUCATORS, SUPPORT STAFF, AND INTERESTED PARTICIPANTS IN INTEGRATING THE PRINCIPLES OF EQUINE ASSISTED SERVICES INTO THE CLASSROOM. THIS PROGRAM IS BASED ON THE THEORETICAL KNOWLEDGE OF DR. BRUCE PERRY'S NEUROSEQUENTIAL MODEL AND IT COMBINES RELATIONAL PRINCIPLES FOUND WITHIN THE ARENA WITH RHYTHM TO ENGAGE STUDENTS IN HEALING CENTERED LEARNING. IF YOU ARE LOOKING TO LEARN HOW TO CONNECT AND REGULATE WITH STUDENTS JOIN US IN TRAUMA FOCUSED EQUINE ASSISTED LEARNING.

OAK



TUESDAY 4:15PM

REMOVING BROKEN STUDS, DRILLS, TAPS, AND BOLTS

LELAND VETTER, WELD INSPECTION SERVICES

EVERY SHOP TEACHER, WELDER, MECHANIC, FARMER, AND JUST ABOUT EVERYONE HAS BROKEN A BOLT IN A HOLE, LEARN THE DIFFERENT WAYS TO GET THEM OUT.

PRAIRIE ROSE 101



BIG INTERVIEW: WHAT IS IT AND HOW CAN I USE IT?

AMANDA BLOMBERG, JOB SERVICE

BIG INTERVIEW IS A DIGITAL PLATFORM DESIGNED TO IMPROVE INTERVIEW CONFIDENCE AND INCREASE THE LIKELIHOOD OF LANDING A JOB. STUDENTS/STAFF CAN USE THE ACCOUNT TO PRACTICE COMMONLY ASKED INTERVIEW QUESTIONS, CREATE A RESUME WITH AI IMPROVEMENT, AND RECEIVE INSTANT FEEDBACK. THIS SESSION WILL PROVIDE A WALK-THROUGH OF THE WEBSITE AND HOW THE PLATFORM CAN BE USED.

PRAIRIE ROSE 102



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TUESDAY 4:15PM

AI - THE NEW FRONTIER

*XIN (REX) SUN, NDSU
LIN SCHUMACHER, NDSU*

ABEN FACULTY WOULD SHARE HOW WE USE AI IN THE CLASSROOM AND HOW WE RECOMMEND / SUGGEST THAT YOU USE AI IN YOUR CLASSROOM.

PRAIRIE ROSE 103



FOUNDATIONS FIRST: BUILDING A BETTER STEM TOOLBOX

ADRIENNE EMERSON, SPHERO

BUILD ESSENTIAL STEM SKILLS THROUGH HANDS-ON EXPLORATION OF MECHANICAL BASICS AND CONTROL SYSTEM PRINCIPLES WITH SPHERO BLUEPRINT. DISCOVER PRACTICAL STRATEGIES TO CREATE A SKILLS-FIRST FOUNDATION THAT PREPARES STUDENTS FOR ENGINEERING SUCCESS.

PRAIRIE ROSE 104



DISCOVER THE HIDDEN GEMS OF RUREADY.ND

*KIMBERLY BORDEN, XAP LLC
LAURA GLASSER, NDCTE*

DISCOVER THE HIDDEN POTENTIAL OF RUREADY.ND! WHETHER YOU'RE NEW TO THE PLATFORM OR A SEASONED USER, THIS SESSION WILL UNCOVER POWERFUL TOOLS AND LESSER-KNOWN FEATURES THAT CAN SUPPORT STUDENT SUCCESS. WE'LL HIGHLIGHT CREATIVE WAYS TO ENHANCE COLLEGE AND CAREER READINESS, STREAMLINE YOUR WORKFLOWS, AND TAILOR THE PLATFORM TO FIT YOUR SCHOOL'S NEEDS. BRING YOUR LAPTOP AND JOIN US TO UNLOCK NEW WAYS TO MAKE THE MOST OF RUREADY.ND AND ENHANCE YOUR STUDENTS' CAREER AND COLLEGE READINESS!

PRAIRIE ROSE 105



MY LOCAL COOPERATIVE- AG CAREER EXPLORATION

DESI SEVERANCE, TEACHER

GET HANDS ON AND COME HOME WITH A LESSON WHERE YOU CAN SHOW YOUR STUDENTS ABOUT POTENTIAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR CAREERS IN AGRICULTURAL COOPERATIVES AND HAVE THEM ARTICULATE THE VALUE OF COOPERATIVES IN SERVING THE AGRICULTURAL INDUSTRY.

BIRCH / COTTONWOOD



FROM PROJECTS TO PROFESSIONS: BUILDING STEM FUTURES WITH DEFINED

BRITTANY KLEIMAN, DEFINED

IN THIS WORKSHOP, PARTICIPANTS WILL EXPLORE HOW TO TRANSFORM STANDARDS INTO SKILLS AND THEN USE A CAREER-CONNECTED PROJECT TO ENGAGE STUDENTS IN DEEPER LEARNING. USING DEFINED'S STEM CURRICULUM, WE WILL GUIDE YOU THROUGH THE PROCESS OF DESIGNING PROJECTS THAT STRENGTHEN TECHNICAL AND EMPLOYABILITY SKILLS, WHILE CONNECTING CLASSROOM LEARNING TO REAL-WORLD CAREERS. YOU'LL LEAVE WITH THE TOOLS TO CREATE MEANINGFUL, STANDARDS-ALIGNED PROJECTS THAT FOSTER BOTH CRITICAL THINKING AND COLLABORATION, PREPARING STUDENTS FOR SUCCESS IN THE WORKFORCE. BY THE END OF THE SESSION, YOU WILL HAVE ACTIONABLE STRATEGIES TO INTEGRATE CAREER EXPLORATION INTO YOUR CURRICULUM THROUGH IMPACTFUL, PROJECT-BASED LEARNING.

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TUESDAY 4:15PM

LAUNCHING STUDENT POTENTIAL – SUPPORTING TSA AND SKILLSUSA WITH DRONES AND STEM FROM PITSCO EDUCATION

PITSCO

THIS SESSION WILL EXPLORE HOW PITSCO EDUCATION SUPPORTS EDUCATORS WITH ENGAGING, STANDARDS-ALIGNED STEM RESOURCES THAT BUILD REAL-WORLD SKILLS AND ALIGN WITH A VARIETY OF COMPETITIVE EVENTS. PITSCO'S SOLUTIONS ARE A STRONG FIT FOR EVENTS SUCH AS ROBOTICS: URBAN SEARCH AND RESCUE (SKILLSUSA), DRAGSTER DESIGN, AND STRUCTURES (TSA)—OFFERING STUDENTS OPPORTUNITIES TO APPLY ENGINEERING PRINCIPLES, DESIGN THINKING, AND PROBLEM-SOLVING IN MEANINGFUL WAYS. IN ADDITION, THE SESSION WILL HIGHLIGHT HOW DRONES IN THE CLASSROOM CAN ENHANCE STUDENT LEARNING AND ENGAGEMENT. PITSCO'S DRONE CURRICULUM INTRODUCES STUDENTS TO FAA SAFETY GUIDELINES, CODING, AND FLIGHT OPERATIONS—SKILLS THAT ARE INCREASINGLY RELEVANT IN BOTH ACADEMIC AND CAREER PATHWAYS.

PINE / SPUCE



EXPLORING CYBER CAREERS TO EMPOWER STUDENTS

*JILL BAIRD, NDIT - EDUTECH
JACQUELINE SCHAIBLE, NDIT - EDUTECH*

ARE YOUR STUDENTS INTERESTED IN TECHNOLOGY, PROBLEM-SOLVING, AND MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN THE DIGITAL WORLD? LEARN HOW CYBERSECURITY IMPACTS ALL AREAS OF OUR LIVES (INCLUDING ARTS, HEALTH CARE, ENTERTAINMENT, TRAVEL, AND BUSINESS) AND HOW WE ALL CAN PROTECT AGAINST THE EVER-INCREASING THREATS TO OUR DIGITAL EXPERIENCES. THIS SESSION WILL EXPLORE VARIOUS CAREER OPPORTUNITIES IN CYBERSECURITY AND THE SKILLS YOUR STUDENTS NEED TO SUCCEED.

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NEW EDUCATOR SESSIONS

MONDAY | AUGUST 4TH

9:00 - 10:30 AM	<p>NEW TEACHER - GENERAL SESSION <i>BOB DIETCHMAN, RETIRED SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR AND TRACY BECKER, SUPERVISOR, TRADE, INDUSTRY & TECHNICAL EDUCATION NDCTE</i></p> <p>IN SCHOOLS, EVERY CONVERSATION—WHETHER BRIEF OR IN-DEPTH—HAS THE POWER TO BUILD TRUST OR BREAK IT. THIS SESSION EXPLORES HOW INTENTIONAL, RESPECTFUL COMMUNICATION BETWEEN ALL MEMBERS OF THE SCHOOL COMMUNITY CAN CREATE A MORE SUPPORTIVE, CONNECTED, AND POSITIVE SCHOOL CULTURE. IN ADDITION, WE WILL ALSO GO OVER GENERAL CONFERENCE ITEMS FOR NEW-COMERS AND MEET THE STATE CTE STAFF.</p>	HALL A
10:30 - 11:50 AM	<p>NEW TEACHER BREAKOUT SESSION (1ST & 2ND YEAR TEACHERS) <i>NIKKI FIDELDY-DOLL, SUPERVISOR, AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION; TRACY BECKER, SUPERVISOR, TRADE/INDUSTRY EDUCATION; DAWN ULMER STRATEGIC PROJECTS MANAGER, NDCTE</i></p> <p>DESIGNED FOR EARLY-CAREER TEACHERS, THIS FOCUSED SESSION COVERS THE ESSENTIALS FOR PROGRAM SUCCESS AND CTE APPROVAL. LEARN PRACTICAL STRATEGIES FOR BUILDING ADVISORY COMMITTEES, MANAGING STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS, AND IMPLEMENTING EFFECTIVE WORK-BASED LEARNING.</p>	HALL A
11:50 AM - 1:10 PM	<p>NEW TEACHER LUNCHEON (1ST & 2ND YEAR TEACHERS)</p>	HALL A

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ADMINISTRATION

MONDAY | AUGUST 4TH

3:15 - 3:45 PM	<p>MBA RESEARCH PRESENTATION <i>TAMMY CYRUS</i> VICE PRESIDENT OF PROFESSIONAL LEARNING, MBA RESEARCH & CURRICULUM CENTER</p> <p>ATTENDEES WILL RECEIVE AN OVERVIEW AND UPDATE OF MBA RESEARCH AND CURRICULUM CENTER'S PORTFOLIO OF RESOURCES DESIGNED TO SUPPORT HIGH-QUALITY BUSINESS AND MARKETING EDUCATION.</p>	PINE/SPRUCE
3:45 - 5:00 PM	<p>PROGRAM AREA SESSION: ADMINISTRATION PROGRAM AREA <i>WAYDE SICK</i> STATE DIRECTOR, NDCTE</p> <p>THIS SESSION WILL INCLUDE INFORMATION NEEDED FOR ADMINISTRATORS FOR THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR INCLUDING PROCEDURES FOR VISION VISITS AND UPCOMING SCHEDULE, AVAILABLE GRANTS, AGENCY REQUIREMENTS AND FORM DUE DATES AND MORE.</p>	PINE/SPRUCE

WEDNESDAY | AUGUST 6TH

8:30 - 9:30 AM	<p>NDCTEA MEETING <i>DANIEL SPELLERBERG</i> PRESIDENT, NDCTEA</p>	PINE/SPRUCE
9:30 - 10:30 AM	<p>2027 LEGISLATIVE SESSION PREPLANNING <i>WAYDE SICK</i> STATE DIRECTOR, NDCTE</p> <p>DISCUSSION WILL FOCUS ON PREPARING FOR THE UPCOMING LEGISLATIVE SESSION BY SETTING PRIORITIES, REVIEWING AGENDAS AND COORDINATING STRATEGIES.</p>	PINE/SPRUCE
10:30 - 11:00 AM	<p>2023-25 BIENNIUM FISCAL UPDATE <i>GWEN FERDERER</i> FINANCE DIRECTOR, NDCTE</p> <p>THIS SESSION WILL PROVIDE AN OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL OUTCOMES FROM THE 2023-25 BIENNIUM. THE RECAP SERVES TO DOCUMENT PROGRESS MADE, INFORM STAKEHOLDERS AND PROVIDE CONTEXT FOR PLANNING IN THE NEW BIENNIUM.</p>	PINE/SPRUCE
11:00 AM - 12:00 PM	<p>CAREER CLUSTERS AND CAREER READY PRACTICES/WORK-BASED LEARNING <i>WAYDE SICK</i> STATE DIRECTOR, NDCTE</p> <p>THIS SESSION PROVIDES AN OVERVIEW AND UPDATE OF THE NATIONAL CAREER CLUSTERS FRAMEWORK AND THE CAREER READY PRACTICES ESSENTIAL FOR STUDENT SUCCESS IN TODAY'S WORKFORCE. PARTICIPANTS WILL EXPLORE HOW CAREER CLUSTERS HELP STUDENTS NAVIGATE EDUCATIONAL PATHWAYS ALIGNED TO HIGH-SKILL, HIGH-WAGE, AND IN-DEMAND CAREERS.</p>	PINE/SPRUCE

ADMINISTRATION

WEDNESDAY | AUGUST 6TH

12:00 - 1:00 PM	LUNCH ON YOUR OWN	
1:00 - 1:30 PM	<p>ND RISE <i>ERIN JACOBSON</i> ND RISE COORDINATOR, NDESPB</p> <p>ATTENDEES WILL LEARN ABOUT THE ND RISE PROGRAM WHICH IS A STRUCTURED MENTORING INITIATIVE IN NORTH DAKOTA AIMED AT SUPPORTING FIRST- AND SECOND-YEAR TEACHERS, ENHANCING TEACHER RETENTION, AND PROVIDING VALUABLE RESOURCES FOR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT.</p>	PINE/SPRUCE
1:30 - 2:00 PM	<p>WEST POINT PRESENTATION <i>CPT HENRY WHITE, GREAT LAKES REGIONAL COMMANDER FOR THE ADMISSIONS DIRECTORATE AT WEST POINT</i></p> <p>JOIN US FOR AN ENGAGING INFORMATION SESSION ABOUT THE UNITED STATES MILITARY ACADEMY AT WEST POINT, WHERE WE DEVELOP LEADERS OF CHARACTER COMMITTED TO THE VALUES OF DUTY, HONOR, AND COUNTRY. THIS SESSION WILL PROVIDE AN IN-DEPTH LOOK AT THE UNIQUE ACADEMIC, PHYSICAL, AND LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES OFFERED AT WEST POINT.</p>	PINE/SPRUCE
2:00 - 2:30 PM	<p>INFINITE CAMPUS UPDATE <i>STEVE SNOW, ND DPI SYSTEMS INTEGRATION SPECIALIST</i></p> <p>ND DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION STAFF WILL PROVIDE UPDATES AND INFORMATION RELATED TO INFINITE CAMPUS.</p>	PINE/SPRUCE
2:30 - 4:00 PM	<p>AGENCY POLICY REVIEW <i>WAYDE SICK</i> STATE DIRECTOR, NDCTE</p> <p>THIS SESSION OFFERS AN OVERVIEW OF POLICIES RELATED TO PROGRAM APPROVAL AND FUNDING. PARTICIPANTS WILL RECEIVE UPDATES, CLARIFY REQUIREMENTS AND DISCUSS IMPLICATIONS.</p>	PINE/SPRUCE

AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION

SUNDAY | AUGUST 3RD

2:00 - 5:00 PM	ND FFA ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING	ND CAPITOL BUILDING, 15TH FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM
6:00 PM	NDAAE EXEC MEETING	RAMADA SENATE / CHAMBER

MONDAY | AUGUST 4TH

3:15 - 5:00 PM	PROGRAM AREA SESSION: AG ED UPDATE/NDAAE DISTRICT MEETINGS THIS SESSION WILL BE AN OVERVIEW OF AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION FOR 2025-26.	PRAIRIE ROSE 105
6:00 - 9:00 PM	NDAAE PICNIC	SERTOMA PARK, SHELTER 10

TUESDAY | AUGUST 5TH

8:30 - 9:15 AM	NDAAE BUSINESS MEETING SESSION 1 AND AG ED UPDATE	PRAIRIE ROSE 105
2:00 - 2:45 PM	AG ED - 1ST AND 2ND YEAR INSTRUCTOR SESSION <i>NIKKI FIDELDY-DOLL, STATE SUPERVISOR; DARIN SPELHAUG, STATE SUPERVISOR; BREANNA MUELLER, ASSISTANT STATE SUPERVISOR, AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION NDCTE</i> JOIN YOUR AG ED SUPERVISORS FOR A HANDS-ON SESSION PACKED WITH CLASSROOM HACKS, FRESH RESOURCES, AND A FEW SURPRISES STILL UNDER WRAPS! WALK AWAY WITH NEW TOOLS FOR YOUR TEACHING TOOLBELT AND TRICKS TO LEVEL UP YOUR AG ED GAME.	OAK
7:00 - 10:00 PM	GAME NIGHT	RAMADA JUDICIAL

AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION

WEDNESDAY | AUGUST 6TH

8:00 - 10:00 AM	<p>CULTIVATING RESILIENCE & LEADING WELL IN AG EDUCATION <i>CALLI THORNE</i> CERTIFIED KEYNOTE SPEAKER, LIFE COACH & PERSONAL/PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT TRAINER, MAXWELL LEADERSHIP TEAM</p> <p>DISCOVER HOW PRIORITIZING MENTAL HEALTH AND SELF-CARE CAN STRENGTHEN YOUR LEADERSHIP AS AN AG EDUCATOR. WE'LL EXPLORE THE SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS OF MENTAL HEALTH CHALLENGES AND BREAK DOWN THE STIGMA SURROUNDING THEM. THIS SESSION OFFERS TOOLS FOR RESILIENCE AND EMPOWERS YOU TO LEAD WITH CLARITY AND COMPASSION. WE'LL DISCUSS HOW CARING FOR YOUR OWN WELL-BEING STRENGTHENS YOUR ABILITY TO LEAD STUDENTS, PROGRAMS, AND COMMUNITIES WITH PURPOSE AND CLARITY.</p>	RAMADA HERITAGE BALLROOM
10:00 - 10:40 AM	<p>NORTH DAKOTA FFA & AG ED UPDATE <i>NIKKI FIDELDY-DOLL, DARIN SPELHAUG, BREANNA MUELLER</i> STATE SUPERVISOR/ASSISTANT STATE SUPERVISOR, AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION, NDCTE</p> <p>UPDATES FROM NORTH DAKOTA AG ED AND THE NORTH DAKOTA FFA ASSOCIATION.</p>	RAMADA HERITAGE BALLROOM
10:50 - 11:30 AM	<p>NATIONAL FFA UPDATE <i>KIMBERLY BELLAH</i> STATE RELATIONS SPECIALIST, NATIONAL FFA</p> <p>NATIONAL FFA STATE RELATIONS SPECIALIST FOR THE CENTRAL REGION KIMBERLY BELLAH WILL PROVIDE UPDATES ACROSS THE ORGANIZATION.</p>	RAMADA HERITAGE BALLROOM
11:30 AM - 1:00 PM	LUNCH ON YOUR OWN	
1:00 - 3:00 PM	NDAAE BUSINESS MEETING SESSION 2	RAMADA HERITAGE BALLROOM
3:00 - 5:00 PM	<p>NAAE TEACHER RESILIENCY <i>JASON FERREIRA, DESI SEVERANCE</i> NAAE FACILITATOR</p> <p>JOIN US FOR A SESSION DESIGNED TO HELP AG TEACHERS BUILD RESILIENCE WITHIN THEMSELVES TO ENSURE SUCCESS AND LONGEVITY IN THE PROFESSION. NAAE UNDERSTANDS THAT BEING AN AGRICULTURE TEACHER IS DEMANDING BUT IMPORTANT WORK, THEREFORE, IT IS CRITICAL TO BUILD RESILIENCE, ESPECIALLY FOR CHALLENGING TIMES. THIS PROGRAM FOCUSES ON BUILDING RESILIENCY THROUGH ACTIVE LEARNING, SELF REFLECTION, AND ENGAGING IN A NETWORK OF AGRICULTURAL EDUCATORS. THIS PROGRAM IS DESIGNED TO EQUIP TEACHERS WITH THE TOOLS TO MAINTAIN A SATISFYING CAREER THROUGH POSITIVE AND CHALLENGING TIMES.</p>	RAMADA JUDICIAL
3:00 - 5:00 PM	<p>NDAAE NEW TEACHER WORKSHOP <i>WILLIAM FRITZ, MT. PLEASANT SCHOOL DISTRICT AND MARITA ERMAN, FINLEY-SHARON PUBLIC SCHOOL AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION TEACHERS</i></p> <p>GEARED TOWARD FIRST-YEAR TEACHERS, THIS SESSION WILL PROVIDE YOU WITH THE KNOWLEDGE YOU NEED TO HIT THE GROUND RUNNING ON THE FIRST DAY, BALANCE ALL OF THE THINGS COME AT YOU AS THE YEAR MOVES ON, AND FINISH THE FIRST YEAR STRONG. IN ADDITION TO HEARING FROM VETERAN TEACHERS, EACH PARTICIPANT WILL ALSO TAKE HOME A BUCKET OF GOODIES SPONSORED BY THE NORTH DAKOTA FFA FOUNDATION.</p>	RAMADA CHAMBER

AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION

WEDNESDAY | AUGUST 6TH

3:00 - 5:00 PM	<p>PRACTITIONER PREP PROGRAM (INVITE ONLY) <i>BROOKE THIEL</i> ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION, NORTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY</p> <p>INVITATION ONLY SESSION FOR THOSE ENROLLED IN THE NDSU PRACTITIONER PREP PROGRAM.</p>	RAMADA SENATE
3:00 - 5:00 PM	<p>VINTAGE OVERHAUL WORKSHOP (INVITE ONLY) <i>JODEE FREE, AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION TEACHER HARVEY PUBLIC SCHOOL</i></p> <p>THIS SPECIAL, INVITATION ONLY WORKSHOP IS FOR TEACHERS WITH 20+ YEARS OF PERFECTING THEIR CRAFT. COFFEE TABLE DISCUSSIONS WILL BE HAD ON TECHNIQUES INCLUDING STAYIN' ALIVE, SPARK PLUGS, LIFEBOATS, TIRE IRONS, WITH A FOCUS ON HOW THESE NIMBLE GHOST RIDERS GET IT DONE.</p>	RAMADA CONGRESS
6:00 - 9:00 PM	NDAAE BANQUET	RAMADA HERITAGE BALLROOM

THURSDAY | AUGUST 7TH

8:00 AM - 12:00 PM	<p>THE GREAT NDAAE CDE CHALLENGE <i>SHAWN FEIRING, JEFF BJUGSTAD</i> NEW SALEM PUBLIC SCHOOL, SOUTHEAST REGION CTC-LIDGERWOOD</p> <p>JOIN US FOR A MORNING FILLED WITH FUN AND FRIENDLY COMPETITION AS WE COMPETE IN PARTS OF AND THEN LEARN MORE ABOUT COACHING SOME OF NORTH DAKOTA FFA'S FAVORITE CAREER DEVELOPMENT EVENTS! AFTER COMPLETING PARTS OF FOUR DIFFERENT CONTEST, EXPERTS FROM AROUND THE STATE WILL PROVIDE THEIR TIPS AND TRICKS ON EFFECTIVELY COACHING THE CONTESTS AND INTEGRATING PORTIONS INTO COURSE CURRICULUM. CONTESTS FEATURED WILL INCLUDE FOOD SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY, ENVIRONMENTAL & NATURAL RESOURCES AND MILK QUALITY & PRODUCTS.</p>	RAMADA HERITAGE BALLROOM
8:00 AM - 4:00 PM	<p>NDSU PRECISION AG SESSION (INVITE ONLY) <i>BROOKE THIEL, CARMEL MILLER</i> ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION, NDSU, THE EXTENSION FARMS WORKFORCE COORDINATOR AT NDSU</p> <p>INVITATION ONLY SESSION.</p>	RAMADA JUDICIAL

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BUSINESS EDUCATION

MONDAY | AUGUST 4TH

3:15 - 5:00 PM	<p>PROGRAM AREA SESSION: BUSINESS EDUCATION <i>JESSICA DEVAAL</i> SUPERVISOR, BUSINESS EDUCATION, NDCTE</p> <p>THIS SESSION WILL BE AN OVERVIEW OF BUSINESS EDUCATION FOR 2025-26 IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWED BY THE ANNUAL NORTH DAKOTA BUSINESS EDUCATION ASSOCIATION (NDBEA) GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING.</p>	PRAIRIE ROSE 103
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TUESDAY | AUGUST 5TH

8:30 - 9:15 AM	<p>FBLA UPDATE <i>JESSICA DEVAAL</i> SUPERVISOR, BUSINESS EDUCATION, NDCTE</p> <p>JOIN FOR INFORMATION ON THE 2025-2026 FBLA MEMBERSHIP YEAR WHERE YOU AND YOUR MEMBERS WILL "MAKE YOUR MARK".</p>	PRAIRIE ROSE 103
2:00 - 2:45 PM	<p>FROM POLICY TO PRACTICE: MANAGING FOOD SALES TO STUDENTS DURING THE SCHOOL DAY <i>AMY NELSON</i> NDDPI</p> <p>THIS SESSION WILL SHOWCASE HOW TO IDENTIFY IF YOUR FOOD SALES TO STUDENTS DURING THE DAY ARE MEETING USDA SMART SNACKS STANDARDS.</p>	PRAIRIE ROSE 103

WEDNESDAY | AUGUST 6TH - *BRING LAPTOP*

8:00 - 8:50 AM	<p>STATE'S CONNECTION: STRATEGIES AND TIPS FOR THE CLASSROOM <i>TAMMY CYRUS</i> VICE PRESIDENT OF PROFESSIONAL LEARNING, MBA RESEARCH & CURRICULUM CENTER</p> <p>NORTH DAKOTA EDUCATORS HAVE ACCESS TO A WEALTH OF RESOURCES THROUGH THE STATE'S MEMBERSHIP WITH MBA RESEARCH. IN THIS SESSION, WE'LL EXPLORE THE WIDE RANGE OF MATERIALS AVAILABLE, INCLUDING CLASSROOM ACTIVITIES, CURRICULUM GUIDES, PROJECT MANAGEMENT TOOLS, RUBRICS, ETHICS RESOURCES, AND CTSO-SPECIFIC RESOURCES. YOU'LL ALSO LEARN TO COMBINE THESE RESOURCES WITH PRACTICAL STRATEGIES TO ENHANCE YOUR TEACHING APPROACH AND STAY AHEAD OF THE CURVE. JOIN US TO DISCOVER HOW TO NAVIGATE THESE VALUABLE RESOURCES AND LEAVE WITH FRESH, ACTIONABLE IDEAS FOR YOUR CLASSROOM.</p>	PRAIRIE ROSE 101-102
9:00 - 9:50 AM	<p>DISSECTING PERFORMANCE INDICATORS – TIPS AND TRICKS FOR THE CLASSROOM <i>TAMMY CYRUS</i> VICE PRESIDENT OF PROFESSIONAL LEARNING, MBA RESEARCH & CURRICULUM CENTER</p> <p>UNDERSTANDING AND EFFECTIVELY USING PERFORMANCE INDICATORS CAN BE A GAME-CHANGER FOR TEACHERS AND STUDENTS. IN THIS SESSION, WE'LL BREAK DOWN THE ESSENTIAL COMPONENTS OF PERFORMANCE INDICATORS AND HOW TO APPLY THEM TO YOUR TEACHING PRACTICES. YOU'LL LEARN PRACTICAL TIPS AND STRATEGIES FOR IDENTIFYING AND DEVELOPING INSTRUCTIONAL RESOURCES FOR PERFORMANCE INDICATORS, WHICH WILL HELP YOU MASTER THE ART OF USING PERFORMANCE INDICATORS TO FOSTER STUDENT SUCCESS AND ENSURE MEASURABLE OUTCOMES IN YOUR CLASSROOM.</p>	PRAIRIE ROSE 101-102

BUSINESS EDUCATION

WEDNESDAY | AUGUST 6TH - BRING LAPTOP

10:00 - 11:30 AM	<p>UNLOCKING THE MBA RESEARCH LEARNING CENTER: A GUIDE FOR TEACHERS</p> <p>TAMMY CYRUS VICE PRESIDENT OF PROFESSIONAL LEARNING, MBA RESEARCH & CURRICULUM CENTER</p> <p>IF YOU HAVEN'T YET EXPLORED THE MBA RESEARCH LEARNING CENTER, NOW IS THE PERFECT TIME TO DIVE IN! WHETHER YOU'RE A NEW OR SEASONED TEACHER, THIS SESSION WILL INTRODUCE YOU TO A WEALTH OF RESOURCES DESIGNED TO ENHANCE YOUR CLASSROOM EXPERIENCE. WE'LL WALK YOU THROUGH HOW TO SET UP A COURSE, ACCESS TOPIC-SPECIFIC CONTENT, UTILIZE THE TEST ITEM BANK, AND MUCH MORE. YOU'LL ALSO BE ABLE TO BRING YOUR QUESTIONS AND TROUBLESHOOT ANY CHALLENGES YOU'VE FACED, ENSURING YOU CAN MAXIMIZE THIS FREE AND INNOVATIVE TOOL TO ITS FULL POTENTIAL. DON'T MISS THIS OPPORTUNITY TO STREAMLINE YOUR TEACHING AND MAKE THE MOST OF THE LEARNING CENTER! NOTE: WE RECOMMEND SETTING UP YOUR LEARNING CENTER ACCOUNT FOR THE BEST HANDS-ON EXPERIENCE BEFORE THE CONFERENCE.</p>	PRAIRIE ROSE 101-102
11:30 AM - 12:30 PM	LUNCH ON YOUR OWN	
12:30 - 2:20 PM	<p>ROUND TABLES</p> <p>PARTICIPATE IN ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION GROUPS OF YOUR CHOOSING. TOPICS WILL INCLUDE BUSINESS & MARKETING EDUCATION CONTENT; CTE (WORK BASED LEARNING, CAREER READY PRACTICES, PERKINS); AND DECA/FBLA (RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION, COMPETITIVE EVENTS, FUNDRAISING, ETC.)</p>	PRAIRIE ROSE 101-102
2:30 - 3:30 PM	<p>MAXIMIZING STUDENT SUCCESS: USING MBA RESEARCH RESOURCES FOR CTSOS</p> <p>TAMMY CYRUS VICE PRESIDENT OF PROFESSIONAL LEARNING, MBA RESEARCH & CURRICULUM CENTER</p> <p>VICE PRESIDENT OF PROFESSIONAL LEARNING, MBA RESEARCH & CURRICULUM CENTER IN THIS SESSION, YOU'LL LEARN HOW TO LEVERAGE MBA RESEARCH'S EXTENSIVE RESOURCES TO ENHANCE STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT IN THE CLASSROOM AND DURING CTSO COMPETITIONS. WE WILL EXPLORE KEY TOOLS SUCH AS LEARNING ACTIVITY PACKAGES (LAPS), COMPETITIVE EVENT CROSSWALKS, EXAM BLUEPRINTS, AND THE STATE'S CONNECTION PORTAL. YOU'LL DISCOVER PRACTICAL STRATEGIES FOR SEAMLESSLY INTEGRATING THESE RESOURCES INTO YOUR CURRICULUM, ENSURING STUDENTS ARE WELL-PREPARED FOR ACADEMIC SUCCESS AND COMPETITIVE EVENTS. JOIN US TO GAIN INSIGHTS ON HOW TO MAXIMIZE THE IMPACT OF THESE RESOURCES AND ELEVATE YOUR STUDENTS' PERFORMANCE IN BOTH ACADEMIC AND COCURRICULAR SETTINGS.</p>	PRAIRIE ROSE 101-102

CAREER DEVELOPMENT / CAREER ADVISORS

MONDAY | AUGUST 4TH

3:15 - 5:00 PM	<p>PROGRAM AREA SESSION: CAREER DEVELOPMENT AND CAREER ADVISORS</p> <p><i>KRISTI HEUPEL & KELLY PIERCE</i> WIOA TEAM LEAD & SUPERVISOR, JOB SERVICE & NDCTE</p> <p>THIS SESSION WILL BE AN OVERVIEW OF CAREER DEVELOPMENT FOR 2025-26.</p>	PRAIRIE ROSE 101
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TUESDAY | AUGUST 5TH

8:30 - 9:15 AM	<p>PROGRAM AREA SESSION: 15 MINUTES WITH BSC REPRESENTATIVE + LEVEL UP YOUR PROGRAM OF WORK</p> <p><i>KELLY PIERCE</i> SUPERVISOR, CAREER DEVELOPMENT & CAREER ADVISORS, NDCTE</p> <p>HEAR ABOUT AUTOMATION, ENERGY, AND ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DIVISION AT BISMARCK STATE COLLEGE OFFERING DUAL CREDIT TECHNICAL COURSES TO ND CTE CENTERS AND SCHOOLS FALL OF 2025. THEN THE REMAINING TIME WILL BE SPENT ON HELPING YOU ALIGN YOUR CAREER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM OF WORK WITH NORTH DAKOTA EXPECTATIONS. GAIN STRATEGIES TO BOOST STUDENT ENGAGEMENT, STRENGTHEN EMPLOYER CONNECTIONS, AND IMPROVE OUTCOMES. BRING YOUR LAPTOP AND A COPY OF YOUR PROGRAM FOR A WORKING SESSION FOCUSED ON STRENGTHENING YOUR IMPACT ON STUDENT SUCCESS.</p>	PRAIRIE ROSE 101
5:00 - 7:00 PM	<p>BANK OF NORTH DAKOTA OPEN HOUSE FOR ND SCHOOL COUNSELORS & NDCDA GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING</p> <p><i>LANCE HILL AND OTHER BND EDUCATION TEAM MEMBERS</i> CEPF® LEADER OF EDUCATION OUTREACH & FINANCIAL LITERACY, BANK OF NORTH DAKOTA</p> <p>WE'D LOVE TO HAVE YOU JOIN US AFTER THE TUESDAY SESSIONS OF THE CTE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE. THE BANK OF NORTH DAKOTA IS LOCATED AN EASY 1.5 MILES TO THE WEST OF THE EVENT CENTER ON FRONT STREET. THERE WILL BE HEAVY APPETIZERS AND A CASH BAR FOR YOU TO ENJOY WHILE YOU VISIT WITH BND'S EDUCATION TEAM MEMBERS. WE'LL ALSO LOAD YOUR CARS WITH THE BND MATERIALS YOU ORDERED FOR THE YEAR. YOU SHOULD HAVE RECEIVED A POSTCARD WITH THE QR CODE TO SCAN TO RSVP FOR THIS EVENT.</p>	BANK OF NORTH DAKOTA

CAREER DEVELOPMENT / CAREER ADVISORS

WEDNESDAY | AUGUST 6TH

8:15 AM - 12:00 PM	<p>HEALTH SCIENCES.....IN ACTION <i>KELLY PIERCE, SHILA LENO, MICHAEL NETZLOFF</i> STAFF, NDCTE</p> <p>THE MORNING SESSION WILL FEATURE THE ASPIRE BY SANFORD PROGRAM, OFFERING AN ENGAGING INTRODUCTION TO A WIDE RANGE OF HEALTH SCIENCE CAREERS. THROUGH PRESENTATIONS, A CAREER SCAVENGER HUNT, AND SMALL-GROUP ROUNDTABLE ROTATIONS, PARTICIPANTS WILL EXPLORE CURRENT HEALTHCARE TRENDS AND HOW WE KEEP A HEALTHCARE SYSTEM RUNNING SMOOTHLY. COME READY TO LEARN, ASK QUESTIONS, AND DISCOVER WHAT A FUTURE IN HEALTHCARE COULD LOOK LIKE.</p>	PRAIRIE ROSE 105
1:00 - 3:45 PM	<p>HEALTH SCIENCES.....IN SPEECH <i>KELLY PIERCE, SHILA LENO, MICHAEL NETZLOFF</i> STAFF, NDCTE</p> <p>THE AFTERNOON SESSION INVITES GUEST SPEAKERS TO DELVE FURTHER INTO SPECIFIC FIELDS WITHIN HEALTH CARE WHICH ARE ALSO VITALLY IMPORTANT TO SOCIETY'S HEALTH. THE FIELDS OF DENTISTRY, CHIROPRACTIC CARE, AND ALZHEIMER'S CARE WILL BE REPRESENTED IN THE PRESENTATIONS, WITH TIME FOR QUESTIONS AFTER EACH PROFESSIONAL SHARES</p>	PRAIRIE ROSE 105



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FAMILY & CONSUMER SCIENCES EDUCATION

MONDAY | AUGUST 4TH

3:15 - 5:00 PM	<p>PROGRAM AREA SESSION: FAMILY & CONSUMER SCIENCES EDUCATION - "PASS GO WITH FCSE: COLLECT INSPIRATION, UPDATES & COMMUNITY"</p> <p><i>ANN DIETCHMAN</i> SUPERVISOR, FAMILY & CONSUMER SCIENCES EDUCATION, NDCTE</p> <p>START THE CONFERENCE STRONG AS YOU PASS GO INTO A NEW SCHOOL YEAR! IN THIS FAMILY & CONSUMER SCIENCES EDUCATION SESSION, WE'LL "COLLECT" VITAL UPDATES FROM NORTH DAKOTA CTE AND NDSU, CELEBRATE THE WINS OF 2024-2025, AND WELCOME NEW TEACHERS TO THE BOARD. WHETHER YOU'RE BUILDING HOUSES IN INTERIOR DESIGN OR MANAGING "BANK ACCOUNTS" IN PERSONAL FINANCE, YOU'LL LEAVE THIS SESSION FEELING RECHARGED, CONNECTED, AND READY TO LEVEL UP WITH FCCLA AND FCSE!</p>	PRAIRIE ROSE 104
6:00 - 8:00 PM	<p>ND FCCLA DISTRICT ADVISERS SUPPER AND PLANNING MEETING</p> <p><i>DANIELLE JANGULA</i> ND FCCLA STATE ADVISER, ASSISTANT STATE SUPERVISOR, FAMILY & CONSUMER SCIENCES EDUCATION, NDCTE</p> <p>ALL 6 ND DISTRICT ADVISERS WILL MEET TO DISCUSS PLANS FOR THE 2025 FALL MEETINGS.</p>	TBD

TUESDAY | AUGUST 5TH

8:30 - 9:15 AM	<p>PROGRAM AREA SESSION: FCSE - "COMMUNITY CHEST: CELEBRATE & CHOOSE YOUR CTE ADVENTURE"</p> <p>DRAW A "COMMUNITY CHEST" CARD AND DISCOVER ALL THAT THIS DYNAMIC DAY HAS TO OFFER! WE'LL KICK THINGS OFF BY RECOGNIZING OUTSTANDING EDUCATORS AND CONTRIBUTORS IN FAMILY & CONSUMER SCIENCES EDUCATION—BECAUSE EXCELLENCE DESERVES A SPOTLIGHT. THEN, IT'S YOUR MOVE: CHOOSE FROM A VARIETY OF FAST-PACED, HIGH-IMPACT BREAKOUT SESSIONS DESIGNED TO LEVEL UP YOUR SKILLS ACROSS THE CTE SPECTRUM. WHETHER YOU'RE COLLECTING NEW STRATEGIES, EXPANDING YOUR NETWORK, OR ROLLING THE DICE ON SOMETHING NEW, THIS IS YOUR DAY TO BUILD, EXPLORE, AND GROW!</p>	PRAIRIE ROSE 104
5:30 PM - 8:30 PM	<p>NDATFCS SOCIAL - MEMBERS ONLY <i>NDATFCS EXECUTIVE COUNCIL</i></p> <p>AN EVENING OF FUN, LAUGHTER... AND MYSTERY! JOIN US FOR A WELL-DESERVED EVENING OF CONNECTION AND CAMARADERIE AT OUR ANNUAL NDATFCS SOCIAL! WE'LL KICK BACK, RELAX, AND ENJOY GREAT FOOD, LIVELY CONVERSATION, AND A FEW SURPRISES ALONG THE WAY. THIS YEAR'S EVENT FEATURES AN INTERACTIVE MURDER MYSTERY EXPERIENCE—EACH ATTENDEE WILL RECEIVE A CHARACTER ROLE AND WORK TOGETHER TO UNRAVEL CLUES AND SOLVE THE CASE. WHETHER YOU'RE THE DETECTIVE OR THE SUSPECT, YOU'RE IN FOR AN UNFORGETTABLE NIGHT OF MYSTERY AND MAYHEM!</p>	<p>PADDLE TRAP 2500 PIRATES LOOP SE, MANDAN</p>

FAMILY & CONSUMER SCIENCES EDUCATION

WEDNESDAY | AUGUST 6TH

8:00 AM - 4:00 PM	<p>FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCES EDUCATION DAY: “ADVANCE TO CAREER READINESS: WORK-BASED LEARNING FOR THE WIN!”</p> <p>GET READY TO ADVANCE TO CAREER READINESS AS WE ROLL INTO A POWERFUL DAY OF LEARNING AND COLLABORATION! START WITH THE NDATFCSE ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING, THEN DIVE INTO INTERACTIVE SESSIONS THAT CONNECT WORK-BASED LEARNING TO REAL-WORLD RELEVANCE ACROSS FCSE CONTENT AREAS. GAIN INDUSTRY INSIGHTS FROM GOLDEN PATH SOLUTIONS AND OTHER PROFESSIONALS, AND TEAM UP WITH FELLOW EDUCATORS TO MAP OUT CLASSROOM STRATEGIES THAT PREPARE STUDENTS TO SUCCEED IN THE GAME OF LIFE AND CAREER. IT'S TIME TO BUILD CONNECTIONS, ALIGN LEARNING, AND LEVEL UP YOUR IMPACT!</p>	PRAIRIE ROSE 103-104
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THURSDAY | AUGUST 7TH

8:00 AM - 4:00 PM	<p>FAMILY, CAREER AND COMMUNITY LEADERS OF AMERICA (FCCLA) DAY: “LEVEL UP WITH FCCLA: OWN THE BOARD, LEAD THE WAY!”</p> <p><i>DANIELLE JANGULA</i> <i>ASSISTANT SUPERVISOR, FAMILY & CONSUMER SCIENCES EDUCATION, NDCTE</i></p> <p>IT'S TIME TO BUY IN, BUILD UP, AND LEVEL UP YOUR FCCLA CHAPTER! STAY AHEAD OF THE GAME WITH ESSENTIAL UPDATES FOR THE 2025–2026 SCHOOL YEAR, INCLUDING FALL DISTRICT MEETINGS, FRESH MEMBERSHIP RECRUITMENT STRATEGIES, AND TOOLS TO DEVELOP CONFIDENT STUDENT LEADERS. YOU'LL ALSO GET THE LATEST ON DISTRICT STAR EVENTS AND THE UPCOMING STATE LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE. WITH PLENTY OF TIME TO COLLABORATE AND SWAP BEST PRACTICES, THIS SESSION IS YOUR FREE PARKING SPACE FOR INSPIRATION, CONNECTION, AND PLANNING YOUR NEXT WINNING MOVE. A MUST-ATTEND FOR EVERY FCCLA ADVISER READY TO PASS GO AND POWER UP!</p>	RAMADA HOTEL
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HEALTH SCIENCES

MONDAY | AUGUST 4TH

3:15 - 4:15 PM	NARCAN TRAINING <i>DAN ELL</i> <i>EMS EDUCATION, SANFORD HEALTH</i>	LINDEN/MAPLE
4:15 - 5:00 PM	PROGRAM AREA SESSION: REIGNITE YOUR LIGHT AND LEVEL UP <i>SHILA LENO</i> <i>SUPERVISOR, HEALTH SCIENCE & PUBLIC SAFETY ED, NDCTE</i> THIS IS A HEALTH SCIENCE AND PUBLIC SAFETY PROGRAM AREA SESSION.	LINDEN/MAPLE

TUESDAY | AUGUST 5TH

8:30 - 9:15 AM	HOSA AND SKILLSUSA UPDATES <i>BRANDY MADRIGAL, STATE DIRECTOR, HOSA</i> THE HOSA STATE DIRECTOR WILL PRESENT AND THOSE WHO PARTICIPATE IN SKILLSUSA WILL REPORT TO TRACY BECKER FOR CTSO UPDATES	HOSA: LINDEN/MAPLE SKILLSUSA: PRAIRIE ROSE 102
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WEDNESDAY | AUGUST 6TH

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INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION

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9:00 - 10:00 AM	NDTSA ADVISORY COUNCIL	BIRCH/ COTTONWOOD
3:15 - 5:00 PM	PROGRAM AREA SESSION: TECHNOLOGY AND ENGINEERING EDUCATION - INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION <i>BRAD HOFFARTH, SUPERVISOR, TECHNOLOGY & ENGINEERING EDUCATION AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION NDCTE</i> UPDATE WITH NEW CHANGES IN TECHNOLOGY & ENGINEERING EDUCATION AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION	BIRCH/ COTTONWOOD
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TUESDAY | AUGUST 5TH

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WEDNESDAY | AUGUST 6TH - ALL TITE AREAS

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INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION

WEDNESDAY | AUGUST 6TH - FEATURED TEE / IT / TITE SESSIONS

9:00 - 10:30 AM	ELEVATE STEM: CODING & ENGINEERING WITH CODRONE EDU <i>MARK HARRELL, STEM CENTER DIRECTOR</i> IGNITE STEM LEARNING WITH THE CODRONE EDU! THIS 90-MINUTE HANDS-ON WORKSHOP INTRODUCES YOU TO A DURABLE, PROGRAMMABLE DRONE PERFECT FOR MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL CLASSROOMS. EXPLORE ITS UNIQUE COLOR, FRONT, AND BOTTOM RANGE SENSORS AND PROGRAMMABLE LIGHTS, ALL CODED THROUGH BLOCK-BASED PROGRAMMING OR PYTHON. WE'LL WALK YOU THROUGH THE "GETTING STARTED WITH CODRONE EDU" GUIDE, GIVING YOU THE TOOLS TO TEACH CODING, ENGINEERING, AND COMPUTATIONAL THINKING IN AN EXCITING, INTERACTIVE WAY. GET READY TO ELEVATE YOUR STEM CURRICULUM! PLEASE BRING A LAPTOP!	BSC NECE 431 - 433
9:00 - 10:30 AM	DRILL BIT SHARPENING <i>LELAND VETTER</i> LEARN HOW TO SHARPEN A DRILL AND MAKE IT CUT. INSTRUCTORS SHOULD WEAR APPROPRIATE CLOTHING FOR THE SHOP, HAVE SAFETY GLASSES AND BRING A SMALL BENCH TOP GRINDER AND DULL DRILL BITS.	BSC TECH CENTER 103
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10:45 AM - 12:15 PM	CYBER ATTACK <i>LYNETTE BORJESON PAINTER PH.D., BISMARCK STATE COLLEGE PROFESSOR</i> PARTICIPANTS WILL EXPERIENCE THE NEW SOC CENTER AT BISMARCK STATE COLLEGE AND HELP FEND OFF A CYBER ATTACK.	BSC ATC CENTER SOC ROOM 224
10:45 AM - 12:15 PM	HAND & POWER TOOL SAFETY <i>STEVE FISCHER, SAFETY DIRECTOR ASSOCIATED GENERAL CONTRACTORS OF NORTH DAKOTA</i> JOIN STEVE FISCHER, SAFETY DIRECTOR WITH THE ASSOCIATED GENERAL CONTRACTORS OF NORTH DAKOTA, FOR AN ESSENTIAL SESSION ON THE SAFE USE OF HAND AND POWER TOOLS. IN ADDITION TO PROPER HANDLING TECHNIQUES, THIS WORKSHOP WILL COVER THE OFTEN-OVERLOOKED HAZARDS OF TOOL USE, INCLUDING NOISE EXPOSURE, VIBRATION RISKS, AND ERGONOMIC CONCERNS.	BSC ATC EAST FLEX LAB
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12:15 - 1:00 PM	LUNCH	MYSTIC MARKETPLACE - BSC

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION

WEDNESDAY | AUGUST 6TH - FEATURED TEE / IT / TITE SESSIONS

1:00 - 2:30 PM	<p>MINECRAFT AI LYNETTE BORJESON PAINTER <i>PH.D., BISMARCK STATE COLLEGE PROFESSOR</i></p> <p>PARTICIPANTS WILL WORK WITH THREE AI PROJECTS FOR THE CLASSROOM: MICROSOFT MINECRAFT FOR EDUCATION, THE TEACHABLE MACHINE WITH GOOGLE AND A GENERATIVE AI DRAWING PROGRAM. THROUGHOUT THE SESSION, PARTICIPANTS WILL REVIEW SAFETY PRINCIPLES FOR AI USAGE AND DISCUSS MAIN DIFFERENCES BETWEEN AI AND GENAI. CAREERS USING AI TOOLS WILL BE DISCUSSED. UPON COMPLETION OF THE SESSION, PARTICIPANTS WILL RECEIVE AN ELECTRONIC HANDOUT OF ALL LINKS PRESENTED IN THE SESSION.</p>	BSC TECH CENTER 126
1:00 - 2:30 PM	<p>FIRE EXTINGUISHER TRAINING - HANDS-ON TRAILER (OPTION 3) <i>CLINT GILBERTSON, PROGRAM COORDINATOR NDSCS</i></p> <p>TO COMPLETE THE FIRE EXTINGUISHER CERTIFICATION, PARTICIPANTS WILL NEED TO ATTEND ONE OF THE HANDS-ON TRAILER SESSIONS AVAILABLE THROUGHOUT THE DAY.</p>	BSC NECE SOUTH PARKING LOT
1:00 - 4:00 PM	<p>PULSE WELDING BRANDON MARKEY, MITCH MASTEL, INSTRUCTORS LYNNES WELDING</p> <p>GMAW PULSE WELDING TRAINING AND INFORMATION SESSION. INSTRUCTORS, PLEASE BRING YOUR WELDING HELMETS, GLOVES, JACKETS, SAFETY GLASSES, AND BOOTS.</p>	LYNNES WELDING, 4329 CENTURION DRIVE, UNIT 9, BISMARCK, ND 58504
2:30 - 4:00 PM	<p>UNLOCKING STEM: EXPERIENCING ITEEA'S ENGINEERING BY DESIGN CURRICULUM MARK HARRELL, STEM CENTER DIRECTOR</p> <p>DISCOVER A POWERFUL AND FREE RESOURCE TO TRANSFORM YOUR TECHNOLOGY & ENGINEERING CLASSROOM! THIS HANDS-ON WORKSHOP WILL IMMERSE NORTH DAKOTA TEACHERS IN THE INTERNATIONAL TECHNOLOGY AND ENGINEERING EDUCATORS ASSOCIATION'S (ITEEA) ENGINEERING BYDESIGN (EBD) CURRICULUM. DESIGNED TO FOSTER TECHNOLOGICAL LITERACY, INNOVATION, AND PROBLEM-SOLVING SKILLS, EBD OFFERS A COMPREHENSIVE FRAMEWORK FOR K-12 ENGINEERING EDUCATION. THROUGH INTERACTIVE ACTIVITIES AND DIRECT ENGAGEMENT WITH CURRICULUM MODULES, YOU'LL EXPERIENCE FIRSTHAND HOW EBD INTEGRATES SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, AND MATHEMATICS (STEM) IN A COHESIVE AND ENGAGING WAY. LEARN HOW THIS NO-COST CURRICULUM CAN EMPOWER YOUR STUDENTS WITH ESSENTIAL 21ST-CENTURY SKILLS AND ENHANCE YOUR SCHOOL'S STEM OFFERINGS. PLEASE BRING A LAPTOP!</p>	BSC NECE 431 - 433
2:30 - 4:00 PM	<p>FIRE EXTINGUISHER TRAINING - HANDS-ON TRAILER (OPTION 4) <i>CLINT GILBERTSON, PROGRAM COORDINATOR NDSCS</i></p> <p>TO COMPLETE THE FIRE EXTINGUISHER CERTIFICATION, PARTICIPANTS WILL NEED TO ATTEND ONE OF THE HANDS-ON TRAILER SESSIONS AVAILABLE THROUGHOUT THE DAY.</p>	BSC NECE SOUTH PARKING LOT

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MARKETING EDUCATION

SUNDAY | AUGUST 3RD

5:00 PM	NORTH DAKOTA DECA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING	RAMADA INN
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MONDAY | AUGUST 4TH

3:15 - 5:00 PM	<p>PROGRAM AREA SESSION: LEVEL UP WITH DECA AND MARKETING EDUCATION SKILLS AND GO THE EXTRA WITH DECA <i>DUSTIN NORBY, SUPERVISOR, MARKETING EDUCATION NDCTE</i></p> <p>THIS SESSION WILL BE AN OVERVIEW OF MARKETING EDUCATION AND DECA UPDATES FOR 2025-26</p>	OAK
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TUESDAY | AUGUST 5TH

8:30 - 9:15 AM	<p>DECA LUMINARY PRESENTATION <i>DON FRY, MARKETING TEACHER AND DECA ADVISOR MANDAN HIGH SCHOOL</i></p> <p>JOIN US FOR AN INTRO TO A YEAR-LONG PROFESSIONAL LEARNING SERIES DESIGNED TO SUPPORT AND STRENGTHEN YOUR DECA CHAPTER. THIS QUICK OVERVIEW WILL HIGHLIGHT UPCOMING SESSIONS ON SUPPORTING NEW AND EXPERIENCED ADVISORS, GROWING CHAPTER ENGAGEMENT, BUILDING COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS, AND USING TOOLS LIKE ADOBE EXPRESS AND DECA CASE STUDIES IN THE CLASSROOM. ADDITIONAL TOPICS INCLUDE MASTERING THE ART OF THE PITCH DECK, ALIGNED WITH THE NEW GUIDELINES REPLACING THE 10-PAGE WRITTEN EVENTS (EIP, ESB, IMC, AND SMG). EACH SESSION WILL OFFER PRACTICAL STRATEGIES TO ENHANCE INSTRUCTION, STUDENT INVOLVEMENT, AND CHAPTER SUCCESS.</p>	OAK
2:00 - 2:45 PM	<p>FROM POLICY TO PRACTICE: MANAGING FOOD SALES TO STUDENTS DURING THE SCHOOL DAY <i>AMY NELSON, CHILD NUTRITION SPECIALIST NDDPI</i></p> <p>THIS SESSION WILL SHOWCASE HOW TO IDENTIFY IF YOUR FOOD SALES TO STUDENTS DURING THE DAY ARE MEETING USDA SMART SNACKS STANDARDS.</p>	PRAIRIE ROSE 103

MARKETING EDUCATION

WEDNESDAY | AUGUST 6TH - BRING LAPTOP

8:00 - 8:50 AM	<p>STATE'S CONNECTION: STRATEGIES AND TIPS FOR THE CLASSROOM</p> <p><i>TAMMY CYRUS, VICE PRESIDENT OF PROFESSIONAL LEARNING MBA RESEARCH & CURRICULUM CENTER</i></p> <p>NORTH DAKOTA EDUCATORS HAVE ACCESS TO A WEALTH OF RESOURCES THROUGH THE STATE'S MEMBERSHIP WITH MBA RESEARCH. IN THIS SESSION, WE'LL EXPLORE THE WIDE RANGE OF MATERIALS AVAILABLE, INCLUDING CLASSROOM ACTIVITIES, CURRICULUM GUIDES, PROJECT MANAGEMENT TOOLS, RUBRICS, ETHICS RESOURCES, AND CTSO-SPECIFIC RESOURCES. YOU'LL ALSO LEARN TO COMBINE THESE RESOURCES WITH PRACTICAL STRATEGIES TO ENHANCE YOUR TEACHING APPROACH AND STAY AHEAD OF THE CURVE. JOIN US TO DISCOVER HOW TO NAVIGATE THESE VALUABLE RESOURCES AND LEAVE WITH FRESH, ACTIONABLE IDEAS FOR YOUR CLASSROOM.</p>	PRAIRIE ROSE 101-102
9:00 - 9:50 AM	<p>DISSECTING PERFORMANCE INDICATORS – TIPS AND TRICKS FOR THE CLASSROOM</p> <p><i>TAMMY CYRUS, VICE PRESIDENT OF PROFESSIONAL LEARNING MBA RESEARCH & CURRICULUM CENTER</i></p> <p>UNDERSTANDING AND EFFECTIVELY USING PERFORMANCE INDICATORS CAN BE A GAME-CHANGER FOR TEACHERS AND STUDENTS. IN THIS SESSION, WE'LL BREAK DOWN THE ESSENTIAL COMPONENTS OF PERFORMANCE INDICATORS AND HOW TO APPLY THEM TO YOUR TEACHING PRACTICES. YOU'LL LEARN PRACTICAL TIPS AND STRATEGIES FOR IDENTIFYING AND DEVELOPING INSTRUCTIONAL RESOURCES FOR PERFORMANCE INDICATORS, WHICH WILL HELP YOU MASTER THE ART OF USING PERFORMANCE INDICATORS TO FOSTER STUDENT SUCCESS AND ENSURE MEASURABLE OUTCOMES IN YOUR CLASSROOM.</p>	PRAIRIE ROSE 101-102



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MARKETING EDUCATION

WEDNESDAY | AUGUST 6TH - BRING LAPTOP

10:00 - 11:30 AM	<p>UNLOCKING THE MBA RESEARCH LEARNING CENTER: A GUIDE FOR TEACHERS</p> <p><i>TAMMY CYRUS, VICE PRESIDENT OF PROFESSIONAL LEARNING MBA RESEARCH & CURRICULUM CENTER</i></p> <p>IF YOU HAVEN'T YET EXPLORED THE MBA RESEARCH LEARNING CENTER, NOW IS THE PERFECT TIME TO DIVE IN! WHETHER YOU'RE A NEW OR SEASONED TEACHER, THIS SESSION WILL INTRODUCE YOU TO A WEALTH OF RESOURCES DESIGNED TO ENHANCE YOUR CLASSROOM EXPERIENCE. WE'LL WALK YOU THROUGH HOW TO SET UP A COURSE, ACCESS TOPIC-SPECIFIC CONTENT, UTILIZE THE TEST ITEM BANK, AND MUCH MORE. YOU'LL ALSO BE ABLE TO BRING YOUR QUESTIONS AND TROUBLESHOOT ANY CHALLENGES YOU'VE FACED, ENSURING YOU CAN MAXIMIZE THIS FREE AND INNOVATIVE TOOL TO ITS FULL POTENTIAL. DON'T MISS THIS OPPORTUNITY TO STREAMLINE YOUR TEACHING AND MAKE THE MOST OF THE LEARNING CENTER! NOTE: WE RECOMMEND SETTING UP YOUR LEARNING CENTER ACCOUNT FOR THE BEST HANDS-ON EXPERIENCE BEFORE THE CONFERENCE.</p>	PRAIRIE ROSE 101-102
11:30 AM - 12:30 PM	LUNCH ON YOUR OWN	
12:30 - 2:20 PM	<p>ROUND TABLES</p> <p>PARTICIPATE IN ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION GROUPS OF YOUR CHOOSING. TOPICS WILL INCLUDE BUSINESS & MARKETING EDUCATION CONTENT; CTE (WORK BASED LEARNING, CAREER READY PRACTICES, PERKINS); AND DECA/FBLA (RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION, COMPETITIVE EVENTS, FUNDRAISING, ETC.)</p>	PRAIRIE ROSE 101-102
2:30 - 3:30 PM	<p>MAXIMIZING STUDENT SUCCESS: USING MBA RESEARCH RESOURCES FOR CTSOS</p> <p><i>TAMMY CYRUS, VICE PRESIDENT OF PROFESSIONAL LEARNING MBA RESEARCH & CURRICULUM CENTER</i></p> <p>IN THIS SESSION, YOU'LL LEARN HOW TO LEVERAGE MBA RESEARCH'S EXTENSIVE RESOURCES TO ENHANCE STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT IN THE CLASSROOM AND DURING CTSO COMPETITIONS. WE WILL EXPLORE KEY TOOLS SUCH AS LEARNING ACTIVITY PACKAGES (LAPS), COMPETITIVE EVENT CROSSWALKS, EXAM BLUEPRINTS, AND THE STATE'S CONNECTION PORTAL. YOU'LL DISCOVER PRACTICAL STRATEGIES FOR SEAMLESSLY INTEGRATING THESE RESOURCES INTO YOUR CURRICULUM, ENSURING STUDENTS ARE WELL-PREPARED FOR ACADEMIC SUCCESS AND COMPETITIVE EVENTS. JOIN US TO GAIN INSIGHTS ON HOW TO MAXIMIZE THE IMPACT OF THESE RESOURCES AND ELEVATE YOUR STUDENTS' PERFORMANCE IN BOTH ACADEMIC AND COCURRICULAR SETTINGS.</p>	PRAIRIE ROSE 101-102

SPECIAL POPULATIONS

MONDAY | AUGUST 4TH

3:15 - 5:00 PM	PROGRAM AREA SESSION: UPDATES FOR SPECIAL POPULATION INSTRUCTORS <i>KELLY PIERCE, MICHAEL NETZLOFF, STAFF NDCTE</i> SPECIAL POPULATION INSTRUCTORS WILL BE MEETING WITH CAREER DEVELOPMENT TO DISCUSS NEW UPDATES FOR THE COMING YEAR IN CTE EDUCATION.	PRAIRIE ROSE 101
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TUESDAY | AUGUST 5TH

8:30 - 9:15 AM	SPECIAL POPULATIONS DISCUSSION <i>MICHAEL NETZLOFF, STAFF NDCTE</i> THIS WILL BE AN INFORMAL SHARING AND DISCUSSION ON SPECIAL POPULATION TOPICS AMONG PARTICIPANTS ACROSS THE STATE.	PINE/SPRUCE
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2:30 - 4:00 PM	<p>UNLOCKING STEM: EXPERIENCING ITEEA'S ENGINEERING BY DESIGN CURRICULUM <i>MARK HARRELL, STEM CENTER DIRECTOR</i></p> <p>DISCOVER A POWERFUL AND FREE RESOURCE TO TRANSFORM YOUR TECHNOLOGY & ENGINEERING CLASSROOM! THIS HANDS-ON WORKSHOP WILL IMMERSE NORTH DAKOTA TEACHERS IN THE INTERNATIONAL TECHNOLOGY AND ENGINEERING EDUCATORS ASSOCIATION'S (ITEEA) ENGINEERING BYDESIGN (EBD) CURRICULUM. DESIGNED TO FOSTER TECHNOLOGICAL LITERACY, INNOVATION, AND PROBLEM-SOLVING SKILLS, EBD OFFERS A COMPREHENSIVE FRAMEWORK FOR K-12 ENGINEERING EDUCATION. THROUGH INTERACTIVE ACTIVITIES AND DIRECT ENGAGEMENT WITH CURRICULUM MODULES, YOU'LL EXPERIENCE FIRSTHAND HOW EBD INTEGRATES SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, AND MATHEMATICS (STEM) IN A COHESIVE AND ENGAGING WAY. LEARN HOW THIS NO-COST CURRICULUM CAN EMPOWER YOUR STUDENTS WITH ESSENTIAL 21ST-CENTURY SKILLS AND ENHANCE YOUR SCHOOL'S STEM OFFERINGS. PLEASE BRING A LAPTOP!</p>	BSC NECE 431-433
2:30 - 4:00 PM	<p>FIRE EXTINGUISHER TRAINING - HANDS-ON TRAILER (OPTION 4) <i>CLINT GILBERTSON, PROGRAM COORDINATOR NDSCS</i></p> <p>TO COMPLETE THE FIRE EXTINGUISHER CERTIFICATION, PARTICIPANTS WILL NEED TO ATTEND ONE OF THE HANDS-ON TRAILER SESSIONS AVAILABLE THROUGHOUT THE DAY.</p>	BSC NECE SOUTH PARKING LOT

TRADE, INDUSTRY & TECHNICAL EDUCATION

MONDAY | AUGUST 4TH

3:15 - 5:00 PM	<p>PROGRAM AREA SESSION: TRADE, INDUSTRY & TECHNICAL EDUCATION</p> <p><i>TRACY BECKER, SUPERVISOR, TRADE, INDUSTRY & TECHNICAL EDUCATION NDCTE</i></p> <p>THIS SESSION WILL BE AN OVERVIEW OF TRADE, INDUSTRY & TECHNICAL EDUCATION UPDATES FOR 2025-26.</p>	PRAIRIE ROSE 102
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TUESDAY | AUGUST 5TH

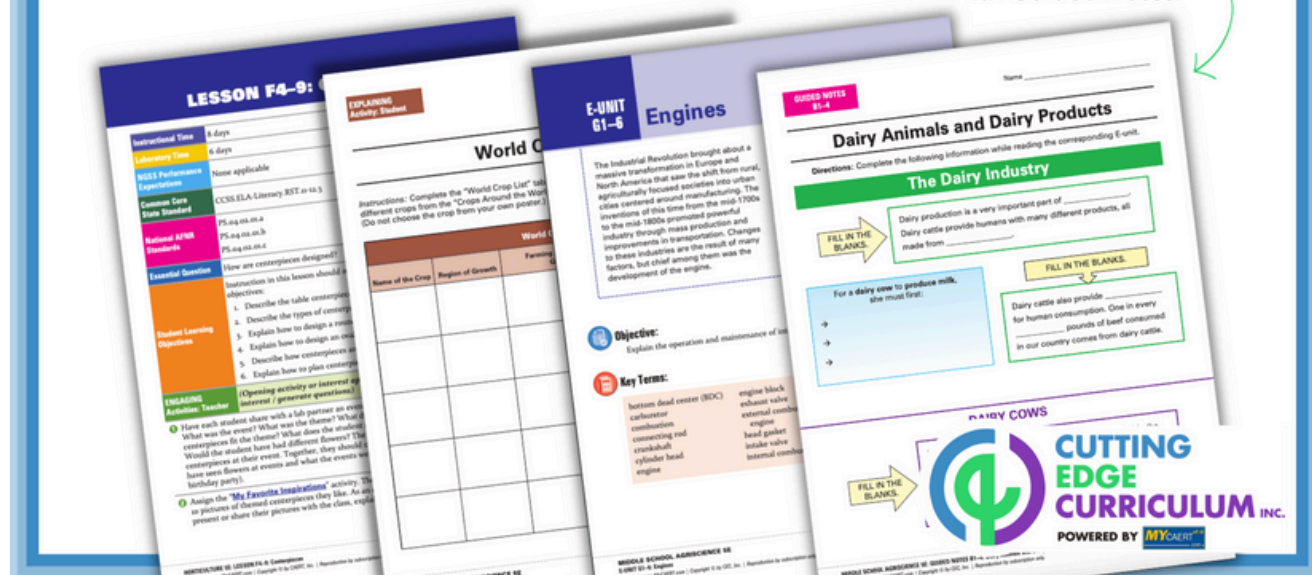
8:30 - 9:15 AM	<p>SKILLSUSA: CHAMPION YOUR FUTURE</p> <p><i>TRACY BECKER, SUPERVISOR, TRADE, INDUSTRY & TECHNICAL EDUCATION NDCTE</i></p> <p>SKILLSUSA EMPOWERS STUDENTS TO BECOME SKILLED PROFESSIONALS, CAREER-READY LEADERS AND RESPONSIBLE COMMUNITY MEMBERS. ALL SKILLSUSA ADVISORS AND THOSE WHO MAY BE INTERESTED IN BEGINNING A SKILLSUSA CHAPTER ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND THIS INFORMATIONAL SESSION FOCUSING ON THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR.</p>	PRAIRIE ROSE 102
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TRADE, INDUSTRY & TECHNICAL EDUCATION

WEDNESDAY | AUGUST 6TH

8:30 AM - 3:30 PM	ASE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT <i>KELLY BAKER, BUSINESS CONSULTANT - SERVICE TRAINER HUNTER ENGINEERING</i> 2025 ASE TRAINING WILL BE CONDUCTED BY KELLY BAKER, HUNTER ENGINEERING - BUSINESS CONSULTANT - SERVICE TRAINER. SESSIONS WILL INCLUDE FOUR-WHEEL ALIGNMENT PRINCIPLES AND SETUP PROCEDURES AND ADAS USING THE HUNTER SYSTEM.	BSC TECH CENTER 205B
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WEDNESDAY | AUGUST 6TH - ALL TITE AREAS

8:00 - 8:45 AM	FIRE EXTINGUISHER TRAINING - CLASSROOM <i>CLINT GILBERTSON, PROGRAM COORDINATOR NDSCS</i>	BSC NECE
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WEDNESDAY | AUGUST 6TH - FEATURED TEE / IT / TITE SESSIONS

9:00 - 10:30 AM	DRILL BIT SHARPENING <i>LELAND VETTER, TRAINER</i> LEARN HOW TO SHARPEN A DRILL AND MAKE IT CUT. INSTRUCTORS SHOULD WEAR APPROPRIATE CLOTHING FOR THE SHOP, HAVE SAFETY GLASSES AND BRING A SMALL BENCH TOP GRINDER AND DULL DRILL BITS.	BSC TECH CENTER 103
9:00 - 10:30 AM	FIRE EXTINGUISHER TRAINING - HANDS-ON TRAILER (OPTION 1) <i>CLINT GILBERTSON, PROGRAM COORDINATOR NDSCS</i> TO COMPLETE THE FIRE EXTINGUISHER CERTIFICATION, PARTICIPANTS WILL NEED TO ATTEND ONE OF THE HANDS-ON TRAILER SESSIONS AVAILABLE THROUGHOUT THE DAY.	BSC NECE SOUTH PARKING LOT
10:45 AM - 12:15 PM	HAND & POWER TOOL SAFETY <i>STEVE FISCHER, SAFETY DIRECTOR ASSOCIATED GENERAL CONTRACTORS OF NORTH DAKOTA</i> JOIN STEVE FISCHER, SAFETY DIRECTOR WITH THE ASSOCIATED GENERAL CONTRACTORS OF NORTH DAKOTA, FOR AN ESSENTIAL SESSION ON THE SAFE USE OF HAND AND POWER TOOLS. IN ADDITION TO PROPER HANDLING TECHNIQUES, THIS WORKSHOP WILL COVER THE OFTEN-OVERLOOKED HAZARDS OF TOOL USE, INCLUDING NOISE EXPOSURE, VIBRATION RISKS, AND ERGONOMIC CONCERNS.	BSC ATC EAST FLEX LAB
10:45 AM - 12:15 PM	FIRE EXTINGUISHER TRAINING - HANDS-ON TRAILER (OPTION 2) <i>CLINT GILBERTSON, PROGRAM COORDINATOR NDSCS</i> TO COMPLETE THE FIRE EXTINGUISHER CERTIFICATION, PARTICIPANTS WILL NEED TO ATTEND ONE OF THE HANDS-ON TRAILER SESSIONS AVAILABLE THROUGHOUT THE DAY.	BSC NECE SOUTH PARKING LOT
12:15 - 1:00 PM	LUNCH	MYSTIC MARKETPLACE - BSC

TRADE, INDUSTRY & TECHNICAL EDUCATION

WEDNESDAY | AUGUST 6TH - FEATURED TEE/IT/TITE SESSIONS

1:00 - 2:30 PM	FIRE EXTINGUISHER TRAINING - HANDS-ON TRAILER (OPTION 3) <i>CLINT GILBERTSON, PROGRAM COORDINATOR NDSCS</i> TO COMPLETE THE FIRE EXTINGUISHER CERTIFICATION, PARTICIPANTS WILL NEED TO ATTEND ONE OF THE HANDS-ON TRAILER SESSIONS AVAILABLE THROUGHOUT THE DAY.	BSC NECE SOUTH PARKING LOT
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1:00 - 4:00 PM	SCAFFOLDING TRAINING <i>STEVE FISCHER, SAFETY DIRECTOR ASSOCIATED GENERAL CONTRACTORS OF NORTH DAKOTA</i> LED BY STEVE FISCHER, SAFETY DIRECTOR WITH THE ASSOCIATED GENERAL CONTRACTORS OF NORTH DAKOTA, THIS SESSION WILL FOCUS ON KEY PRACTICES FOR SAFE SCAFFOLDING USE ON THE JOBSITE. LEARN ABOUT PROPER SETUP, USE, AND INSPECTION, AS WELL AS COMMON HAZARDS AND HOW TO PREVENT FALLS AND INJURIES THROUGH COMPLIANCE AND AWARENESS.	BSC ATC EAST FLEX LAB
2:30 - 4:00 PM	FIRE EXTINGUISHER TRAINING - HANDS-ON TRAILER (OPTION 4) <i>CLINT GILBERTSON, PROGRAM COORDINATOR NDSCS</i> TO COMPLETE THE FIRE EXTINGUISHER CERTIFICATION, PARTICIPANTS WILL NEED TO ATTEND ONE OF THE HANDS-ON TRAILER SESSIONS AVAILABLE THROUGHOUT THE DAY.	BSC NECE SOUTH PARKING LOT



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2019 NAPOLEON HIGH SCHOOL, NAPOLEON
2020 SOUTHEAST REGION CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY CENTER, OAKES
2021 MANDAN PUBLIC SCHOOLS, MANDAN
2022 NORTH VALLEY CAREER & TECHNOLOGY CENTER, GRAFTON

BUSINESS EDUCATION

2020 LARIMORE HIGH SCHOOL, LARIMORE
2021 MINOT PUBLIC SCHOOLS, MINOT
2022 GRAND FORKS PUBLIC SCHOOLS, GRAND FORKS
2023 GLEN ULLIN HIGH SCHOOL, ROUGHRIDER AREA CAREER TECHNICAL CENTER
2024 DAVIES HIGH SCHOOL, FARGO

CAREER DEVELOPMENT

2018 CARRINGTON HIGH SCHOOL, CARRINGTON
2019 SOUTHEAST REGION CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY CENTER, WAHPETON
2022 UNITED TRIBES TECHNICAL COLLEGE, BISMARCK
2023 WILLISTON HIGH SCHOOL, GREAT NORTHWEST AREA CAREER TECHNICAL CENTER
2024 GRAND FORKS PUBLIC SCHOOLS, GRAND FORKS

EDUCATION EQUITY

2016 CANKDESKA CIKANA COMMUNITY COLLEGE, FORT TOTTEN
2018 BISMARCK CAREER ACADEMY, BISMARCK

FAMILY & CONSUMER SCIENCES EDUCATION

2017 SHEYENNE HIGH SCHOOL, WEST FARGO
2022 WILLISTON HIGH SCHOOL, WILLISTON
2023 LISBON HIGH SCHOOL, LISBON
2024 MIDWAY PUBLIC SCHOOLS, INKSTER

HEALTH SCIENCES EDUCATION

2020 NORTH VALLEY AREA CAREER & TECHNOLOGY CENTER, GRAFTON
2021 SOUTHEAST REGION CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY CENTER, OAKES & WAHPETON
2022 GRAND FORKS PUBLIC SCHOOLS/CTC, GRAND FORKS
2023 WILLISTON HIGH SCHOOL, WILLISTON
2024 MINOT PUBLIC SCHOOLS, MINOT

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION

2019 WILLISTON STATE COLLEGE, WILLISTON
2021 CASS COUNTY CAREER & TECHNOLOGY CENTER, FARGO
2022 GRAND FORKS CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL, GRAND FORKS
2023 GRAND FORKS CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL, GRAND FORKS

MARKETING EDUCATION

2020 CENTRAL REGIONAL AREA & TECHNICAL CENTER, VIRTUAL
2021 FARGO SOUTH HIGH SCHOOL, FARGO
2022 WEST FARGO SHEYENNE HIGH SCHOOL, WEST FARGO
2023 GRAND FORKS RED RIVER HIGH SCHOOL, GRAND FORKS
2024 WEST FARGO HIGH SCHOOL, WEST FARGO

SPECIAL POPULATIONS

2017 GRAND FORKS PUBLIC SCHOOLS, GRAND FORKS
2018 LAKE REGION STATE COLLEGE, DEVILS LAKE
2019 NORTH DAKOTA STATE COLLEGE OF SCIENCE, WAHPETON
2021 RED RIVER HIGH SCHOOL, GRAND FORKS

TECHNOLOGY & ENGINEERING EDUCATION

2019 GRAND FORKS PUBLIC SCHOOLS, GRAND FORKS
2021 MINOT PUBLIC SCHOOLS, MINOT
2022 FARGO PUBLIC SCHOOLS, FARGO

TRADE, INDUSTRY & TECHNICAL EDUCATION

2020 CHEF TRAINING & RESTAURANT MANAGEMENT PROGRAM, SOUTHEAST AREA CAREER & TECHNOLOGY CENTER, WAHPETON
2021 CASS COUNTY CAREER & TECHNOLOGY CENTER, FARGO
2022 SOUTHEAST REGION CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY CENTER, AUTOMOTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM
2023 JAMES VALLEY AREA CAREER TECHNICAL CENTER, AUTOMOTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM
2024 WILLISTON HIGH SCHOOL, AVIATION TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM

INDUCTEE MEMBER AWARD RECIPIENTS

ADMINISTRATOR OF THE YEAR

ERIC RIPLEY

GRAND FORKS PUBLIC SCHOOLS



ERIC RIPLEY CURRENTLY SERVES AS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION FOR GRAND FORKS PUBLIC SCHOOLS, A POSITION HE HAS HELD SINCE 2009 AND AS DIRECTOR OF CTE FOR THE GRAND FORKS AREA CAREER & TECHNOLOGY CENTER SINCE 2012. IN THIS ROLE, HE HAS DEMONSTRATED A REMARKABLE ABILITY TO FOSTER COLLABORATION AMONG STAKEHOLDERS, AND ADVOCATE FOR INCREASED FUNDING AND RESOURCES. HE HAS CONSISTENTLY GONE ABOVE AND BEYOND TO ENSURE THAT STUDENTS HAVE ACCESS TO HIGH-QUALITY CTE PROGRAMS THAT PREPARE THEM FOR SUCCESS IN BOTH THEIR CHOSEN CAREERS AND IN LIFE.

BEYOND HIS ACCOMPLISHMENTS WITHIN GRAND FORKS PUBLIC SCHOOLS, MR. RIPLEY'S DEDICATION TO CTE EXTENDS FAR BEYOND THE LOCAL LEVEL. HIS EXTENSIVE INVOLVEMENT WITH THE ASSOCIATION FOR CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION (ACTE) AT THE NATIONAL, REGIONAL, AND STATE LEVELS IS A TESTAMENT TO HIS COMMITMENT TO ADVANCING CTE ON A BROADER SCALE. AT THE NATIONAL LEVEL, MR. RIPLEY HAS SERVED ON SEVERAL KEY COMMITTEES AND TASK FORCES, INCLUDING THE ACTE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AS THE ADMINISTRATION DIVISION VICE PRESIDENT, AND SERVING ON THE ACTE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. HE HAS ALSO BEEN A REGULAR ATTENDEE AND ACTIVE PARTICIPANT AT CAREERTECH VISION AND THE NATIONAL POLICY SEMINAR, DEMONSTRATING A COMMITMENT TO STAYING INFORMED ABOUT AND INFLUENCING NATIONAL CTE POLICY.

REGIONALLY, MR. RIPLEY HAS HELD LEADERSHIP POSITIONS IN THE REGION V LEVEL, SERVING ON THE POLICY COMMITTEE REPRESENTING NORTH DAKOTA, AND PREVIOUSLY CHAIR OF THE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE. HIS CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE REGION HAVE BEEN INVALUABLE IN SHAPING CTE INITIATIVES AND FOSTERING COLLABORATION AMONG STATES. AT THE STATE LEVEL, MR. RIPLEY SERVED AS PRESIDENT OF NORTH DAKOTA ACTE. HIS LONG-STANDING SERVICE ON THE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE CHAIR FURTHER DEMONSTRATES HIS COMMITMENT TO ADVOCATING FOR CTE AT THE STATE LEVEL.

MR. RIPLEY'S DEDICATION, VISION, EXCEPTIONAL LEADERSHIP, AND UNWAVERING COMMITMENT TO STUDENT SUCCESS HAS HAD A PROFOUND IMPACT ON THE FIELD OF CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION (CTE) AND HIS CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE FIELD OF CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION WILL BE OUTLASTING.

NDACTE MEMBER AWARD RECIPIENTS

LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT

MARK WAGNER



MARK WAGNER HAS MADE SIGNIFICANT AND LASTING CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF HIGH-QUALITY CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION (CTE) PROGRAMS, ALWAYS WITH A CENTRAL FOCUS ON STUDENT SUCCESS. HIS IMPACT SPANS CLASSROOM INSTRUCTION, ADMINISTRATIVE LEADERSHIP, STATEWIDE POLICY DEVELOPMENT, AND SYSTEMS REFORM, MAKING HIM A DRIVING FORCE BEHIND TRANSFORMATIVE CHANGE IN CTE. HE HAS BEEN A CTE INSTRUCTOR IN TWO PROGRAM AREAS, WORKED AT A CLASS B AND A SCHOOL, WAS AN ADJUNCT INSTRUCTOR FOR NORTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY AND NORTH DAKOTA STATE COLLEGE OF SCIENCE, TAUGHT ADULT COURSES, AND HAS BEEN AN ADMINISTRATOR AT A COMPREHENSIVE HIGH SCHOOL AND DIRECTOR AT AN AREA CTE CENTER.

HE BEGAN HIS CAREER IN HALLIDAY AS A CTE INSTRUCTOR IN AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION. AS AN INSTRUCTOR, HE DEVELOPED A STUDENT-CENTERED PHILOSOPHY THAT SEAMLESSLY BLENDED ACADEMIC RIGOR WITH REAL-WORLD, HANDS-ON LEARNING. DURING HIS 24 YEARS AT BEULAH PUBLIC SCHOOLS, HE SERVED VARIOUS ROLES AS AN AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION INSTRUCTOR, DIRECTOR OF TECHNOLOGY, ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL, AND CISCO NETWORKING ACADEMY INSTRUCTOR. MARK SERVED AS DIRECTOR FOR 8 YEARS AT THE NORTH VALLEY CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY CENTER LOCATED IN GRAFTON.

MARK HAS MOST RECENTLY SERVED AS THE ND CTE ASSISTANT STATE DIRECTOR FOR THE PAST 10 YEARS. AS ASSISTANT STATE DIRECTOR OF CTE, MARK HAS CHAMPIONED DATA-INFORMED DECISION-MAKING TO IMPROVE CTE PROGRAM OUTCOMES CONTINUOUSLY. BY LEVERAGING PERFORMANCE DATA AND WORKFORCE TRENDS, HE HAS HELPED SCHOOLS AND CENTERS REFINE THEIR OFFERINGS, ENSURING ALIGNMENT WITH BOTH STUDENT NEEDS AND LABOR MARKET DEMANDS. THIS FORWARD-THINKING APPROACH HAS ENHANCED PROGRAM QUALITY AND RELEVANCE ACROSS THE STATE. HE PLAYED A KEY ROLE IN TRANSITIONING FROM TRADITIONAL PROGRAM EVALUATIONS TO FUTURE-FOCUSED "PROGRAM VISION VISITS," A MODEL THAT PRIORITIZES INNOVATION, CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT, AND LONG-TERM STUDENT OUTCOMES. HIS LEADERSHIP LED TO IMPROVED TRANSPARENCY, ENHANCED DATA INTEGRITY, AND MORE EFFECTIVE PROGRAM EVALUATION.

MARK HAS BEEN A POWERFUL ADVOCATE FOR CTE AT THE POLICY LEVEL. HE HAS SERVED ON NUMEROUS INFLUENTIAL BOARDS, INCLUDING THE NORTH DAKOTA COUNCIL OF EDUCATIONAL LEADERS AND THE NORTH DAKOTA LEADERS AND EDUCATION ADMINISTRATION DEVELOPMENT GROUP. IN THESE ROLES, HE WORKED COLLABORATIVELY WITH STATE OFFICIALS AND LEGISLATORS TO ADVANCE CTE PRIORITIES. IN ADDITION TO HIS DIRECT LEADERSHIP ROLES, WAGNER HAS BEEN AN ACTIVE ADVOCATE FOR THE MISSION OF ACTE, CHAMPIONING POLICIES AND INITIATIVES THAT ALIGN WITH ACTE'S VISION OF IMPROVING AND EXPANDING CTE PROGRAMS ACROSS THE NATION. HE HAS BEEN AN ACTIVE MEMBER FOR OVER FORTY YEARS AND IS A PAST PRESIDENT OF ND ACTE. HE SERVED FOR 11 YEARS ON THE STATE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND CHAIRED AND SERVED ON NUMEROUS REGIONAL AND NATIONAL COMMITTEES. HIS ADVOCACY EFFORTS HAVE HELPED ELEVATE THE PROFILE OF CTE WITHIN EDUCATIONAL AND GOVERNMENTAL CIRCLES, ENSURING THAT CTE IS RECOGNIZED AS A VITAL PATHWAY FOR STUDENT SUCCESS AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT.

MARK WAGNER'S CAREER REFLECTS AN EXTRAORDINARY BLEND OF VISIONARY LEADERSHIP, POLICY INSIGHT, AND UNWAVERING COMMITMENT TO STUDENT SUCCESS. FROM MODERNIZING FACILITIES AND CURRICULUM TO SHAPING STATEWIDE SYSTEMS, HIS CONTRIBUTIONS HAVE ELEVATED THE QUALITY AND REACH OF CTE IN NORTH DAKOTA.

NDACTE MEMBER AWARD RECIPIENTS

TEACHER OF THE YEAR

CAMERON YOUNG

EDGELEY PUBLIC SCHOOL



CAMERON YOUNG WAS RAISED ON A SMALL, DIVERSIFIED FARM ON THE EDGE OF THE NEBRASKA SANDHILLS, WHERE WE PRODUCED CORN, OATS, ALFALFA, AND RAISED CATTLE, HOGS, AND HORSES—ALONG WITH AN AMPLE CROP OF SANDBURS DURING THE DRY YEARS. TRUE TO HIS INDEPENDENT NATURE, HE CHOSE A PATH LESS TRAVELED BY PURSUING A DEGREE IN AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION RATHER THAN A MORE TRADITIONAL, HIGH-PAYING CAREER. CAMERON ATTENDED NORTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY, EARNING A DEGREE IN AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION WITH MINORS IN ANIMAL SCIENCE AND GENERAL SCIENCE.

DURING HIS TIME AT NDSU, HE GAINED VALUABLE HANDS-ON EXPERIENCE WORKING AT THE UNIVERSITY'S SWINE RESEARCH UNIT. CAMERON WAS ALSO AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE LIVESTOCK JUDGING TEAM, SADDLE AND SIRLOIN CLUB, AND COLLEGIATE FFA, ALL OF WHICH HELPED SHAPE HIS FOUNDATION AS AN EDUCATOR AND AGRICULTURAL PROFESSIONAL.

CAMERON'S TEACHING CAREER BEGAN IN 1991 IN ROLLA, ND, APPROXIMATELY 560 MILES NORTH OF HIS HOMETOWN. AFTER FOUR YEARS THERE, HE ACCEPTED A POSITION IN KENMARE, WHERE HE TAUGHT FROM 1995 TO 2012. IN 2012, HE EMBRACED THE OPPORTUNITY TO HELP ESTABLISH A NEW AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION PROGRAM IN EDGELEY, WHERE HE CONTINUES TO TEACH TODAY.

IN ADDITION TO HIS ROLES AS AN AGRICULTURE TEACHER AND FFA ADVISOR, HE HAS BEEN ACTIVELY INVOLVED IN COMMUNITY SERVICE. HE HAS SERVED WITH THE JAYCEES, THE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS IN KENMARE AND EDGELEY, THE EDGELEY DOLLARS FOR SCHOLARS ORGANIZATION, AND THE GOLDEN GLEN TOWNSHIP BOARD. CAMERON IS PROUD TO SHARE THIS JOURNEY WITH HIS WIFE, JAYETTE, AND THEY ARE THE GRATEFUL PARENTS OF FOUR WONDERFUL CHILDREN: RYAN, ALLISON, BROGAN, AND TAYGEN.

INDUCTEE MEMBER AWARD RECIPIENTS

POST-SECONDARY PROFESSIONAL OF THE YEAR

BENJAMIN WHITMORE
ND STATE COLLEGE OF SCIENCE



BENJAMIN WHITMORE IS AN ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF CULINARY ARTS AT NORTH DAKOTA STATE COLLEGE OF SCIENCE (NDSCS). BENJAMIN HAS HELD THIS POSITION SINCE AUGUST 2019. THIS YEAR HE HAS MOVED INTO THE CHAIR OF THE CULINARY PROGRAM AT NDSCS.

BENJAMIN HAS BEEN DEDICATED OF HIS IMPROVEMENT THROUGH EDUCATION. HE RECEIVED HIS AAS IN CULINARY/CHEF TRAINING AT DES MOINES AREA COMMUNITY COLLEGE WHERE HE GRADUATED IN 2003. HE THEN BECAME THE OWNER AND OPERATOR OF BLG CONCESSIONS, LLC IN IOWA. HE LEFT BLG CONCESSIONS IN 2022. IN 2019 HE WAS HIRED BY NDSCS TO TEACH IN THE CULINARY PROGRAM. THAT SAME YEAR HE STARTED HIS BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE IN CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION FROM VALLEY CITY STATE UNIVERSITY. HE GRADUATED WITH A BS DEGREE IN 2021 AND IN 2021 HE STARTED HIS MASTERS IN EDUCATION FROM VALLEY CITY STATE UNIVERSITY. HE GRADUATED WITH AN MED IN 2022 COMPLETING THE PROGRAM IN 1 YEAR WHILE TEACHING FULL TIME. BENJAMIN HAS BEEN ACCEPTED FOR HIS DOCTOR OF EDUCATION FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH DAKOTA AND IS CURRENTLY TAKING COURSES AND TEACHING AND MANAGING THE CULINARY PROGRAM FOR NDSCS.

IN ADDITION TO HIS FORMAL EDUCATION, BENJAMIN HAS BEEN DEDICATED TO RECEIVING INDUSTRY RELATED CERTIFICATIONS FROM NATIONAL RESTAURANT ASSOCIATION (SERVSAFE AND SERVSAFE INSTRUCTOR CERTIFICATIONS) AND AMERICAN CULINARY FEDERATION (CERTIFIED EXECUTIVE CHEF AND AFC CERTIFIED EXECUTIVE CHEF). THESE CERTIFICATION HELP MR. WHITMORE STAY CURRENT IN HIS DISCIPLINE AND ENSURE THE STUDENTS THAT HE IS TEACHING THAT HIS KNOWLEDGE IS QUALITY IN THE TRAINING OF CHEFS.

BENJAMIN HAS IMPLEMENTED MANY INNOVATIONS IN HIS TEACHING FOR NDSCS. ONE OF THE MANY IS PROVIDING HIS STUDENTS HANDS ON OPPORTUNITIES TO DISPLAY THEIR SKILLS FOR THE COMMUNITY BY HOSTING COMMUNITY AND SCHOOL DINNERS. HE HAS ALSO DISPLAYED HIS STUDENTS WORK AT THE CTE IN MEMORIAL HALL EVENT FOR THE STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA LEGISLATURE.

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COUNSELING AND CAREER DEVELOPMENT PROFESSIONAL AWARD

DANIELLE LUEBKE
HANKINSON PUBLIC SCHOOL



DANIELLE'S PATH INTO EDUCATION WASN'T A TRADITIONAL ONE. TRANSITIONING FROM MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELING INTO SCHOOL COUNSELING CAME WITH A HUGE LEARNING CURVE, BUT DANIELLE EMBRACED IT AND FOUND HER PASSION WORKING WITH STUDENTS. DANIELLE EARNED HER MASTER OF EDUCATION IN COUNSELING WITH SPECIALIZATIONS IN COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH AND SCHOOL COUNSELING FROM NORTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY. SHE ALSO HOLDS A BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE IN PSYCHOLOGY WITH A MINOR IN CHILD DEVELOPMENT. SHE MAINTAINS ACTIVE LICENSURE AS A SCHOOL COUNSELOR, CAREER DEVELOPMENT COUNSELOR ALONG WITH BEING A LICENSED PROFESSIONAL COUNSELOR.

FOR THE PAST 13 YEARS DANIELLE HAS WORKED AS A CAREER DEVELOPMENT COUNSELOR THROUGH SOUTHEAST REGION CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY CENTER (SRCTC) SERVING HANKINSON PUBLIC SCHOOL IN HANKINSON NORTH DAKOTA. OVER THE YEARS DANIELLE HAS DEVELOPED A COMPREHENSIVE COUNSELING PROGRAM FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES K-12. DANIELLE INTEGRATES CAREER DEVELOPMENT, SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEARNING AND ACADEMIC PLANNING FOR ALL STUDENTS ENSURING THEY ARE EQUIPPED WITH THE SKILLS, RESILIENCE AND KNOWLEDGE NEEDED TO BE SUCCESSFUL CONTRIBUTING MEMBERS OF SOCIETY. DANIELLE ADVOCATES TIRELESSLY FOR ALL HER STUDENTS, BUILDING STRONG RELATIONSHIPS AND CREATING A SUPPORTIVE ENVIRONMENT THAT EMPOWERS THEM TO REACH THEIR FULL POTENTIAL BOTH ACADEMICALLY AND PERSONALLY. DANIELLE HAS ORGANIZED AND COORDINATED MANY EVENTS SUCH AS: CAREER FAIRS, COLLEGE VISITS, COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS ALONG WITH MANY OTHERS TO ENSURE STUDENTS HAVE THE ESSENTIAL SKILLS TO BE SUCCESSFUL FOR WHICHEVER PATH THEY CHOOSE AFTER HIGH SCHOOL.

DANIELLE'S LEADERSHIP EXTENDS BEYOND THE COUNSELING OFFICE AND SCHOOL. DANIELLE HAS HELD NUMEROUS ROLES WITHIN PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS, INCLUDING CURRENT PRESIDENT OF THE NORTH DAKOTA COUNSELING ASSOCIATION, PAST PRESIDENT OF THE NORTH DAKOTA CAREER DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION, PAST CAREER DEVELOPMENT REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE NORTH DAKOTA ASSOCIATION FOR CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION. SHE HAS ALSO SERVED AS PAST AWARDS CHAIR FOR NDACTE. BEING AN ADVOCATE FOR PROFESSIONAL GROWTH, SHE HAS PRESENTED AT STATE AND NATIONAL CONFERENCES, COVERING TOPICS RANGING FROM EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY TO CAREER DEVELOPMENT AND THE INTEGRATION OF AI IN COUNSELING PRACTICES.

INDUCTEE MEMBER AWARD RECIPIENTS

COUNSELING AND CAREER DEVELOPMENT **NEW TEACHER OF THE YEAR**

CARA DAVIS

GRAND FORKS PUBLIC SCHOOLS



CARA DAVIS IS COMPLETING HER THIRD YEAR WORKING AS A CAREER ADVISOR FOR THE GRAND FORKS PUBLIC SCHOOLS, SPECIFICALLY SERVING AS THE HIGH SCHOOL CAREER ADVISOR AT RED RIVER HIGH SCHOOL. WITH A PROVEN WORK HISTORY OF PROVIDING STUDENT SERVICES, RELATIONSHIP BUILDING, AND COORDINATION SKILLS, CARA BROUGHT MANY YEARS OF WORK EXPERIENCE INTO HER CURRENT CAREER ADVISOR ROLE.

SPENDING OVER 15 YEARS WORKING WITHIN HIGHER EDUCATION FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH DAKOTA, CARA HAD ROLES AS A RECRUITER, INSTRUCTOR, ADVISOR, AND ASSISTANT DIRECTOR FOR THE TRIO EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY CENTER. AS A FIRST-GENERATION COLLEGE GRADUATE HERSELF, CARA DEVELOPED A PASSION FOR PROVIDING STUDENTS GUIDANCE AS THEY NAVIGATED THEIR CAREER DEVELOPMENT OPTIONS.

CARA WAS AWARDED THE 2022 MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. SOCIAL JUSTICE AWARD AT THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH DAKOTA, AND WAS NAMED AS A CERTIFIED EMPLOYEE OF THE QUARTER LAST SCHOOL YEAR (WHICH WAS REMARKABLE GIVEN IT WAS ONLY HER SECOND YEAR ON STAFF IN THE DISTRICT). CARA COMPLETED HER CTE CAREER ADVISOR TRAINING DURING HER FIRST YEAR, AND SINCE BEING ON STAFF, HAS EXCELLED IN HER ROLE. THE ENTIRE CAREER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM OF THE GRAND FORKS PUBLIC SCHOOLS, IN LARGE PART TO CARA'S CONTRIBUTIONS, WAS AWARDED THE 2024 DIRECTORS AWARD OF EXCELLENCE.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS INCLUDE NEW CAREER DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES AND INITIATIVES INCLUDING A "CASH IN ON SUMMER" JOB FAIR HELD WITHIN GRAND FORKS CENTRAL AND RED RIVER HIGH SCHOOLS FOR STUDENTS TO MEET WITH INDUSTRY PARTNERS ON SUMMER EMPLOYMENT OPTIONS, REVAMPING THE "EXPLORING YOUR FUTURE OPTIONS" CAREER FAIR FOR STUDENTS OF COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL, THE ALTERNATIVE HIGH SCHOOL IN GRAND FORKS, IMPLEMENTATION OF HOLDING THE FIRST-EVER T4 EVENT IN GRAND FORKS, WHICH WAS ATTENDED BY OVER 1,200 REGIONAL 8TH GRADE STUDENTS, SERVING ON THE PLANNING TEAM FOR THE NORTHERN VALLEY CAREER EXPO, A REGIONAL EVENT PRIMARILY TARGETED FOR 10TH GRADE STUDENTS THAT HAD OVER 2,000 STUDENTS FROM 58 SCHOOLS ATTENDING THIS PAST YEAR, AND FINALLY, CARA HAS BEEN THE POINT PERSON FOR THE CAREER Z CHALLENGE FROM THE US DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, IN WHICH GRAND FORKS PUBLIC SCHOOLS WAS SELECTED AS A NATIONAL FINALIST (1 OF 10 DISTRICTS NATIONWIDE).

INDUCTEE MEMBER AWARD RECIPIENTS

BUSINESS EDUCATION NEW TEACHER OF THE YEAR

HEATHER BOWKER

MINOT NORTH HIGH SCHOOL



AFTER GRADUATING FROM MSU-NORTHERN IN HAVRE, MT, HEATHER BOWKER MOVED AROUND THE COUNTRY WITH HER FAMILY. SHE WORKED FOR 10 YEARS FOR MSU-BILLINGS AND THEN STARTED SUBBING FOR MINOT PUBLIC SCHOOLS WHEN HER YOUNGEST WENT TO KINDERGARTEN. IN 2024, HEATHER WAS GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE THE MARKETING TEACHER AT THE NEW MINOT NORTH HIGH SCHOOL.

WITH THE NEW SCHOOL, CAME A NEW SCHOOL STORE, AND A NEW DECA CHAPTER, ALL WHICH SHE WAS IN CHARGE OF. HEATHER HIT THE GROUND RUNNING DURING JULY AND AUGUST AND SET UP THE STORE AS FAST AS SHE COULD BEFORE THE OPEN HOUSE THE NIGHT BEFORE THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL. DURING THE THREE HOUR OPEN HOUSE, HEATHER WAS ABLE TO SELL NEARLY \$11,000 AND REALLY MAKE A NAME FOR THE STORE. ONCE SCHOOL STARTED IT WAS HER RESPONSIBILITY TO NAME THE STORE, AND CREATE A LOGO. SHE WORKED WITH HER MARKETING 2 CLASS, RAN SURVEYS, AND HAD HER STUDENTS PRESENT THEIR IDEAS TO THE ADMINISTRATION. AFTER A NAME WAS SELECTED, A LOGO FINALIZED, IT WAS TIME TO START PROMOTING THE STORE. SO BETWEEN TEACHING 5 CLASS HOURS, TEACHING STUDENTS TO RUN THE STORE, AND LEARN AS MUCH ABOUT DECA AS SHE COULD, HEATHER KEPT BUSY.

HEATHER HAS DOUBLED THE AMOUNT OF STUDENTS TAKING HER CLASSES NEXT YEAR AND REALLY LOOKS FORWARD TO TEACHING STUDENTS REAL LIFE APPLICATIONS THEY CAN USE IN THEIR FUTURES. THE LOOKOUT (WHAT THE SCHOOL STORE IS NAMED) HAS BECOME A HANGOUT AND SAFE SPACE FOR STUDENTS.

ON ANY GIVEN DAY YOU WILL SEE 15-20 KIDS HANGING OUT IN THE STORE, KNOWING THEY ARE ALL WELCOME. BESIDES HAVING HER STUDENTS RUN THE STORE, HEATHER HAS ALSO ASKED THE SPECIAL EDUCATION STUDENTS TO WORK WITH THEIR PARAPROFESSIONALS IN THE STORE. THIS GIVES STUDENTS WHO MIGHT NOT HAVE OTHER OPPORTUNITIES TO WORK IN RETAIL, A CHANCE TO LEARN THE BUSINESS.

HEATHER HAS TRULY ENJOYED HER FIRST YEAR AND LOOKS FORWARD TO YEARS TO COME AND ADVANCING THE MARKETING CLASSES, DECA, AND THE LOOKOUT STORE.

NDACTE MEMBER AWARD RECIPIENTS

FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCES EDUCATION NEW TEACHER OF THE YEAR

ISAIAH MACDONALD

MANDAN HIGH SCHOOL



ISAIAH MACDONALD IS AN ENTHUSIASTIC EDUCATOR AND ADVISER IN FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCES, DEDICATED TO CREATING EQUITABLE AND IMPACTFUL LEARNING EXPERIENCES. WITH THREE YEARS OF LEADERSHIP ADVISING MANDAN HIGH FCCLA, HE HAS EXPANDED THE PROGRAM BY BUILDING MEMBERSHIP, GROWING COMPETITION ON THE NATIONAL LEVEL, AND MAKING MEANINGFUL CONNECTIONS WITH FUTURE LEADERS OF MANDAN AND BEYOND. NOTABLY, THE TEAM MADE CHAPTER HISTORY BY HAVING BOTH A STATE OFFICER AND A DISTRICT PRESIDENT FROM MANDAN HIGH SERVE CONCURRENTLY ON THE NORTH DAKOTA EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.

THROUGHOUT HIS CAREER, ISAIAH HAS EMBRACED OPPORTUNITIES TO ENHANCE BOTH STUDENT ENGAGEMENT AND CURRICULUM RELEVANCY. IN HIS MASTER'S ACTION RESEARCH PROJECT BACKED BY AN ACTE FELLOWSHIP, HE IS CURRENTLY ANALYZING FCCLA'S COMPETITION RUBRICS TO ASSESS THEIR FAIRNESS AND IMPACT THROUGH A PIONEERING EFFORT THAT EXAMINES EVALUATOR COGNITIVE LOAD. THIS RESEARCH PRESENTS NEW OPPORTUNITIES INTO CRITICAL, UNDER-RESEARCHED FACTOR IN EDUCATIONAL EVALUATION. THIS IS NOT THE ONLY IMPACT ISAIAH'S PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT HAS MADE ON MANDAN CTE. HIS LEARNING HAS RENEWED MANDAN HIGH'S INDEPENDENT LIVING & FAMILY LIVING CLASSES BY INTEGRATING EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING STRATEGIES, ENSURING LESSONS APPLY TO REAL-WORLD SKILLS AND ADDRESS CHALLENGES FACING FCS SUCH AS PARENT ABSENTEEISM AND CHILDHOOD ABUSE.

AFTER EARNING HIS MASTER'S DEGREE IN FCS EDUCATION AT NORTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY, HE INTENDS TO PURSUE SHARING HIS EXPERTISE AS A PART-TIME ADJUNCT PROFESSOR FOR NORTH DAKOTA UNIVERSITIES, AND TO CONTINUE DIGGING IN TO MEANINGFUL EDUCATION AT MANDAN HIGH SCHOOL. IN LONG TERM GOALS, HE AIMS TO PROFESSOR FUTURE TEACHERS AND SERVE THE NORTH DAKOTA STATE FCCLA OFFICE IF THE OPPORTUNITY ARISES, CONTRIBUTING FURTHER TO EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE AND EQUITABLE STUDENT SUPPORT.

ISAIAH'S COMMITMENT TO EDUCATION IS FURTHER DEMONSTRATED BY ACTIVE PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS WITH NDATFCS AND THE NEA, AS WELL AS RECOGNITION THROUGH AWARDS AND NOMINATIONS INCLUDING THE ACTE FACS FELLOWSHIP AWARD AND THE 2025 OUTSTANDING ADVISER AWARD. THESE EXPERIENCES COLLECTIVELY REFLECT HIS PASSION FOR POSITIVE-GROWTH, EXPERIENTIAL, RESEARCH-DRIVEN, AND INCLUSIVE EDUCATIONAL PRACTICES. HIS ULTIMATE GOAL IS TO BE BETTER FOR HIS STUDENTS EACH DAY AS HIS EXPERIENCES SHAPE HIM INTO AN EDUCATOR OF EXCELLENCE.

INDUCTEE MEMBER AWARD RECIPIENTS

INNOVATIVE PROGRAM AWARD

DAVID LEIER AND ERIK JOHNSON

KILLDEER PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT



THE KILLDEER AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION PROGRAM IS PART OF THE KILLDEER PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT LOCATED IN WEST-CENTRAL NORTH DAKOTA. KILLDEER IS A RURAL COMMUNITY WITH A POPULATION OF APPROXIMATELY 1,000 PEOPLE. KILLDEER IS AN AGRICULTURALLY BASED COMMUNITY WITH STRONG INFLUENCES FROM THE OIL INDUSTRY. THE AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION PROGRAM IS NOT ONLY BENEFICIAL TO THE COMMUNITY BUT IS ALSO OF GREAT IMPORTANCE TO THE STAKEHOLDERS OF THE PROGRAM. THE BUSINESSES, COMMUNITY, SCHOOL, AND STAKEHOLDERS ALL SUPPORT AND PROVIDE OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE STUDENTS TO ENGAGE IN WORK-BASED EXPERIENCES, COMMUNITY SERVICE, AND UNIQUE SUPERVISED AGRICULTURAL EXPERIENCES. KILLDEER IS A GROWING COMMUNITY AND SCHOOL AND ONE IN WHICH THE AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION PROGRAM AND FFA CHAPTER WILL CONTINUE TO PROSPER AND FIND SUCCESS.

THE KILLDEER AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION PROGRAM IS A COMPREHENSIVE, TWO-TEACHER PROGRAM. THE PROGRAM OFFERS COURSES TO STUDENTS IN GRADES 7-12 AND HAS SHIFTED ITS CURRICULUM OFFERINGS TO ENABLE STUDENTS TO CHOOSE A CAREER PATHWAY. THE ELECTIVE COURSES AVAILABLE TO 11TH AND 12TH GRADE STUDENTS PROVIDE PATHWAYS IN AGRICULTURAL MECHANICS, PLANT SYSTEMS, ANIMAL SYSTEMS, AND FOOD PRODUCTS & PROCESSING SYSTEMS, OFFERING STUDENTS A TOTAL OF 15 ELECTIVE COURSES DURING THEIR 11TH AND 12TH GRADE YEARS. THE 2022-23 SCHOOL YEAR MARKED THE FIRST IN A NEW FACILITY WHICH INCLUDES A MEAT LAB, GREENHOUSE, METALS SHOP, CARPENTRY SHOP, AND TWO CLASSROOMS (BOTH FITTED WITH FOOD SCIENCE EQUIPMENT). THE NEW FACILITY PROVIDES OPPORTUNITIES FOR MORE LABS AND HANDS-ON PROJECT-BASED EXPERIENCES THAT WILL CONTINUE TO ELEVATE THE PROGRAM'S SUCCESS.

INNOVATIVE FEATURES OF THE PROGRAM INCLUDE A PROJECT-BASED LEARNING AS THE GUIDING FORCE WITH WHICH THE COURSE UNITS AND LESSONS ARE DESIGNED. THIS PROVIDES STUDENTS WITH HANDS-ON OPPORTUNITIES, FOSTERS A MORE MEANINGFUL LEARNING EXPERIENCE, AND ONE THAT WILL ALLOW THE LEARNING TO BECOME MORE CONCRETE. WOODWORKING, MEATS PROCESSING, FOOD SCIENCE, WELDING, AND MILK PRODUCTS EVALUATION PROVIDE STUDENTS WITH OPPORTUNITIES TO EXPLORE THE VAST AREAS OF AGRICULTURE WHILE DEVELOPING REAL-LIFE SKILLS THEY CAN USE AS A PRODUCTIVE CITIZEN IN SOCIETY.

AN INTEGRAL COMPONENT OF ANY AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION PROGRAM IS SUPERVISED AGRICULTURAL EXPERIENCES (SAE). ALL STUDENTS ENROLLED ARE REQUIRED TO DEVELOP AN SAE PROJECT, WHETHER IT BE FOUNDATIONAL SAE OR AN IMMERSION SAE. THE KILLDEER AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION PROGRAM STRIVES TO DEVELOP A MEANINGFUL SAE FOR EACH MEMBER AND FOSTER GROWTH FOR THOSE STUDENTS WHO ARE MOTIVATED TO DEVELOP THEIR PROJECT INTO A SUCCESSFUL IMMERSION SAE. THIS PROGRAM INCREASED THE NUMBER OF ACTIVE SUPERVISED AGRICULTURAL EXPERIENCE (SAE) PROGRAMS. TO ASSIST WITH THIS, THE KILLDEER AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION PROGRAM HAS IMPLEMENTED A COOPERATIVE WORK EXPERIENCE PROGRAM AS A CREDIT-BEARING COURSE FOR 11TH AND 12TH GRADE STUDENTS. THIS HAS PROVEN TO BE VERY SUCCESSFUL AS FIFTEEN STUDENTS IN THE PROGRAM HAVE BEEN ABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN A SUCCESSFUL SUPERVISED AGRICULTURAL EXPERIENCE THAT THEY OTHERWISE MAY NOT HAVE HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO DO. THE BENEFITS OF THIS EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING ARE EXTREMELY VALUABLE TO THE STUDENTS. THROUGH THESE PROJECTS, STUDENTS ARE ABLE TO DEVELOP SKILLS APPLICABLE TO THE "REAL-WORLD" SUCH AS PROBLEM SOLVING, CRITICAL THINKING, FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY, AND TIME-MANAGEMENT. IN ADDITION, IT ALLOWS FOR CAREER EXPLORATION AND OPENS THE DOOR TO OPPORTUNITIES FOR AWARDS, SCHOLARSHIPS, AND PERSONAL SUCCESS.

DIRECTOR'S AWARD OF EXCELLENCE

2025 DIRECTOR'S AWARD OF EXCELLENCE: AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION NEW SALEM HIGH SCHOOL/HEART RIVER CTC

RECOGNIZED FOR:

- OFFERING A ROBUST CURRICULUM THAT INCLUDES ANIMAL SCIENCE, PLANT SCIENCE, AG MECHANICS, NATURAL RESOURCES, AND AGRI-TECHNOLOGY THROUGH CLASSES IN GREENHOUSE MANAGEMENT, ANIMAL CARE, PLANT SCIENCE, AG SALES, AND FUTURE EXPANSION OF DRONES AND PRECISION AGRICULTURE.
- INCORPORATING HANDS-ON EXPERIENCES IN THE CLASSROOM SUCH AS WELDING, TRACTOR RESTORATION, SMALL ENGINES, HYDROPONICS, WOODWORKING/STRUCTURES, SHED BUILDING, MOBILE MEATS LAB/MEATS PROCESSING, EGG INCUBATION, "TROUT IN THE CLASSROOM" PROJECT, DAIRY JUDGING, LIVESTOCK JUDGING, RANGE JUDGING, HORSE JUDGING, SMALL ANIMAL CARE, FLORAL CULTURE, FARM BUSINESS MANAGEMENT, MECHANICS, MILK QUALITY IN PRODUCTS, AGRONOMY, TRACTOR DRIVING COMPETITION, AND WATER TESTING.

2025 DIRECTOR'S AWARD OF EXCELLENCE: CAREER DEVELOPMENT SOUTH HEART PUBLIC SCHOOL, SOUTH HEART

RECOGNIZED FOR:

- FOSTERING A 12-YEAR PARTNERSHIP IN CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY PROGRAMS BETWEEN THE CAREER COUNSELOR AND SCHOOL COUNSELOR TO OFFER STUDENTS FLEXIBLE SCHEDULING, CAREER MENTORING, INDUSTRY PARTNERSHIPS, ETC.
- EQUIPPING STUDENTS WITH THE ESSENTIAL SKILLS, KNOWLEDGE, AND COMPETENCIES NEEDED TO SUCCEED IN VARIOUS HIGH-DEMAND CAREER FIELDS BY PROVIDING A COMPREHENSIVE EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE THAT BLENDS ACADEMIC LEARNING WITH PRACTICAL, HANDS-ON TRAINING AND HELPING EACH ONE TO MAKE WISE DECISIONS FOR THE FUTURE.

DIRECTOR'S AWARD OF EXCELLENCE

2025 DIRECTOR'S AWARD OF EXCELLENCE: FAMILY & CONSUMER SCIENCE EDUCATION

RUGBY HIGH SCHOOL, RUGBY

RECOGNIZED FOR:

- RESTARTING THE FCS PROGRAM AFTER A 28-YEAR ABSENCE FROM THE SCHOOL'S ELECTIVES AND MAKING IT GROW IN FIVE YEARS SO THAT THERE IS A WAITING LIST FOR STUDENTS TO BE ABLE TO EVEN TAKE THE CLASSES.
- CONNECTING WITH THE COMMUNITY AND PROVIDING OCCUPATIONAL PRACTICE IN FASHION PRODUCTION, FASHION SHOWS, AND EXPERIENCES IN CHILDCARE.

2025 DIRECTOR'S AWARD OF EXCELLENCE: MARKETING EDUCATION

SOUTHEAST REGION CTC

RECOGNIZED FOR:

- MAKING A BIG IMPACT THROUGH THE SUCCESSFUL STUDENT-RUN SCHOOL STORE.
- NURTURING A STRONG DECA ORGANIZATION WITH SEVERAL STUDENTS FROM THE PROGRAM WINNING AT THE STATE AND NATIONAL-LEVEL DECA COMPETITIONS, SHOWING HOW WELL THE PROGRAM PREPARES STUDENTS AND HELPS STUDENTS SUCCEED.

2025 DIRECTOR'S AWARD OF EXCELLENCE: NON-TRADITIONAL CAREERS

GRAND FORKS PUBLIC SCHOOLS, GRAND FORKS

RECOGNIZED FOR:

- EXCEEDING THE STATE TARGET FOR STUDENTS PREPARING FOR NON-TRADITIONAL FIELDS BY OVER 10% FOR THE THIRD CONSECUTIVE YEAR.
- EXTENDING THE DISTRICT-WIDE SUPPORT AND SERVICES BEING OFFERED BY CAREER ADVISORS AND CAREER DEVELOPMENT INCLUDE EVENTS LIKE THE NORTHERN VALLEY CAREER EXPO, MIDDLE SCHOOL T4 EVENT, "CASH IN ON SUMMER" HIRING EVENT, JOB SHADOWING, CAREER FORUMS, AND COLLEGE FAIR VISITS, THEREBY INCREASING NON-TRADITIONAL ENROLLMENTS.

DIRECTOR'S AWARD OF EXCELLENCE

2025 DIRECTOR'S AWARD OF EXCELLENCE: TECHNOLOGY & ENGINEERING EDUCATION

GRAND FORKS PUBLIC SCHOOLS, GRAND FORKS

RECOGNIZED FOR:

- BEING RECOGNIZED DURING THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR BY PROJECT LEAD THE WAY AS "DISTINGUISHED SCHOOLS" FOR THE THIRD YEAR IN A ROW. FOR EACH OF THE FOUR GRAND FORKS PUBLIC SCHOOL MIDDLE SCHOOLS, ALONG WITH GRAND FORKS CENTRAL AND RED RIVER HIGH SCHOOLS.
- REQUIRING TECHNOLOGY & ENGINEERING EDUCATION COURSES FOR ALL STUDENTS IN 6TH, 7TH, AND 8TH GRADE, DUE TO THE STRONG SUPPORT OF COMMUNITY AND ADMINISTRATION.

2025 DIRECTOR'S AWARD OF EXCELLENCE: TRADE, INDUSTRY/TECHNICAL EDUCATION

CASS COUNTY CTC/SOUTH HIGH SCHOOL

RECOGNIZED FOR:

- EMPLOYING THE TALENTS AND EXPERTISE OF A 12-YEAR VETERAN TEACHER IN THE VERY SUCCESSFUL C3TEC MANUFACTURING PROGRAM AT SOUTH HIGH.
- PROVIDING STUDENTS WITH A SOLID FOUNDATION AND EXPOSING STUDENTS TO OPPORTUNITIES IN THE MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY FROM WELDING CONCEPTS TO FABRICATION THROUGH HANDS-ON SKILLS AND LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT.



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2025 EXHIBITOR DIRECTORY

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