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BACK TO SCHOOL SPECIAL EDITION ☀️

NEW STUDENT INFORMATION



Dr. Ron Clinton

President's Welcome

Welcome to the 2020-2021 academic year at Northeast Texas Community College and to this special edition of the NTCC Eagle!

We know that this pandemic year has been a challenge for many of our students, but for over 30 years, NTCC has been the "College of Choice" for those who have started here and gone on to pursue rewarding futures in a wide variety of professional careers.

This year will be no different. I think you have made a great decision to enroll and advance your education with us.

In addition to the more than 100 credit programs available, NTCC's active campus life, our award-winning student organizations, and rich variety of student, athletic and world-class cultural events will continue to round out your Eagle experience.

I hope you will take every opportunity to explore all the many possibilities. And remember...our caring faculty and staff will always be standing ready to support and empower you to succeed.

Dr. Ron Clinton, President
Northeast Texas Community College

NTCC Student Orientation

Mandatory

Accessible through myEagle, student orientation is a free series of videos, pictures, and information beneficial to a student's success at NTCC.

A series of quizzes will be scattered throughout the slides to test students' knowledge and attention.

Students have unlimited access to the orientation and may pick up on their progress at any time. Students must review the orientation in their first semester, or they cannot sign up for classes the following semester.

The "I want to learn more about" button will provide additional information on any of the topics at the end of the orientation.

How to access online student orientation:

1. Go to myEagle Portal.
2. Select the "Student" tab.
3. Select the "MyEagle Orientation" tab.

Emergency Notifications

Northeast Texas Community College offers an Emergency Alert Notification System to help keep students, faculty and staff informed in case a situation were to arise.

These alerts are used to convey urgent information including safety drills, campus closures, weather notifications or other potentially hazardous situations. Students are automatically signed up to receive alerts when they get accepted into the college using the phone number provided on their application. It is important to keep all contact information updated.

Students can also opt out of receiving emergency notifications at anytime. However, remaining in the system is strongly encouraged.

How to update your emergency contact information:

Step 1: Log into the myEagle Portal.

Step 2: Click the "Emergency Alert System" icon on the left side of the screen.

Step 3: Follow the directions to enter your desired cell phone number and e-mail address.



Student IDs & Parking Stickers

All students are required to have an myEagle Passport ID Card and a parking sticker.

Student IDs are used for reimbursements, dorm access and more. They also serve as a library, debit and meal plan card.

Vehicles found without a sticker will be fined.

Student IDs and parking stickers can be picked up in Student Services for free.

NEW STUDENT INFORMATION

OneLogin upgrades NTCC's cyber security

Northeast Texas Community College's IT department has taken online security one step further with OneLogin, a multi-factor authentication, single sign on, one click way to access all of NTCC's web applications.

Students, faculty and staff can go to ntcc.onelogin.com to begin setting up OneLogin on their NTCC account.

"OneLogin takes MFA one step further by providing a single sign-on process," Sebastian Barron, director of computer and technical services, said. "That means once you log in to OneLogin, you will not have to sign into any of the apps offered within OneLogin."

Instead of receiving a text and inputting the code, users will simply receive an alert through the OneLogin Protect app on their mobile device.

Students and staff will be alerted that someone is attempting to sign in using their credentials and will have the choice to allow or deny the connection attempt.

"No more jumping through different web links and signing in," Barron said.

Once users access OneLogin, they will be directed to a landing page that will display all of NTCC's core applications in one location. OneLogin will provide secure access to all NTCC applications.

"OneLogin is one of the few products that offers security as well as ease of access at the same time," Barron said. "OneLogin is a win-win situation for the NTCC community."

For more information or assistance with OneLogin registration, contact the IT department's helpline by submitting a ticket to ithelp@ntcc.edu.



NTCC's Online Content

MyEagle Portal

To log in to myEagle Portal, you must use their NTCC log-in information.

The username consists of the first initial of your first name, your full last name, and the last three digits of your Social Security number. The password is your eight-digit date of birth, MM/DD/YYYY.

Once logged in, the "Student" tab will be visible. This is where you will find the majority of their information.

Student Email

Student email accounts will be the official means of communication between you and your instructors and the college.

Your email needs to be checked every day for updates on student activities, college events, announcements, alerts and messages from instructors.

On the "Student" page of myEagle Portal is a "Student Email" tab. Login information for myEagle Portal is identical to that of your student email and Blackboard.

To avoid having to check the email each day, download the Microsoft Outlook app to receive instant notifications of new emails.

Blackboard Ultra

Blackboard Ultra is an online schooling platform for all your classes. Here, you can access the class syllabi, assignments, grades and additional information from the instructors.

Important paths of information, such as grades and courses, can be found on the sidebar to the left for quick and easy access.

The application size scales to the screen it is on, making it computer, phone, and tablet-friendly.

Students can download the Blackboard app on their phones to receive notifications.

Students have the opportunity to view a video with instructions for navigating Blackboard Ultra on the college website.

Microsoft Office

Microsoft offers Office 365 to all NTCC students free of charge.

To download, go to www.office.com and sign in with your student login. From there, select the "Install Office" tab on the upper right corner of the page.

On the Office website, you can download everything Microsoft has to offer, including Microsoft Word and PowerPoint.

CAMPUS SECURITY

CALL/TEXT: (903) 563-1417

AVAILABLE 24/7

COVID-19

COVID-19 Protection:

- Review the COVID-19 NTCC Safety Protocols for students and faculty listed on the portal.
- While on campus, social distance, wear a mask at all times and continuously practice sanitation.
- **Do not** loiter on campus following class.
- **Do not** visit the campus if COVID-19 symptoms have been present in the previous 14 days.
- If exposed without personal protection equipment (PPE) to someone with COVID-19, speak to a healthcare provider and self-quarantine for 14 days. **Do not** come to campus.
- If you have had COVID-19 or have gone through a 14-day quarantine, you may return to campus by following the CDC Discontinuation of Isolation protocols.
- The Whatley Center for Performing Arts will be closed for the fall semester.
- Students and staff are asked to sanitize their items and dorms regularly.
- Take out options will be available for every meal in the SUB.
- Only dorm students are permitted to be in the residence halls.

WANT TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE?

Then join The Eagle
News Media crew!

Visit HUM 108 or email
ntcceagleeditors@gmail.com

COMPUTER LABS

Availability subject to classroom usage

BT 117

SUB 101

BT 121

Library

IA 102

HUM 101

DO YOUR PART TO KEEP NTCC SAFE!

SELF-MONITOR



BE ALERT

For symptoms of COVID-19, especially a dry cough or shortness of breath.

TAKE YOUR TEMPERATURE

Every morning & night, and write it down.

CALL YOUR DOCTOR

If you have trouble breathing or a fever (temperature of 100.4° F or 38° C).

DON'T

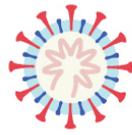
Come to campus if you have symptoms.

Full COVID-19 guidelines at
www.ntcc.edu/covid-19

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COVID-19

Q: What is NTCC doing to help prevent the spread of COVID-19 on campus?

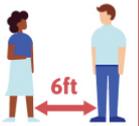


A: In accordance with Governor Abbott's executive orders GA-18 and GA-29, NTCC has adopted the minimum recommended health protocols for all individuals in Texas. All faculty, staff and students will be required to self-monitor for symptoms of COVID-19 and enhanced sanitation practices will be implemented.

Q: What course formats will NTCC offer for fall 2020?

A:

- **Face-To-Face (F2F):** With a limited number of students per classroom to allow for social distancing.
- **Fully-Online (ONLN):** Course delivered fully online via Blackboard
- **Live Remote/Synchronous (SYNC):** Connects students & instructors in a virtual classroom, allowing for more traditional interaction.
- **Hybrid (HYBR):** A combination of face-to-face & online formats.
- **Hy-Flex (HYFL):** Rotates between face-to-face & live remote online learning.



Housing & Meals

- On-campus housing is open with designated rooms for quarantine if needed.
- Capacity has been reduced in order to provide a more suitable environment for COVID-19 safety protocols.
- Since reservations are at capacity, a waiting list for students is available via the NTCC website.
- Modified Food Services are available to students and staff.



Athletics

Eagle Athletics are preparing for both Fall and Spring.

- Women's and Men's Soccer will begin in September.
- Rodeo practice will begin September/October.
- Softball and Baseball practices will begin in February.



Student Activities

NTCC anticipates being able offer numerous student activities, modified to accommodate COVID-19 protocols for the Fall 2020 semester. These activities include:

- Welcome Back Week: Music, Food, Activities (No large crowds and/or gatherings, single serving lines, etc.)
- Multicultural Awareness Week: Fashion Day, Taste of NTCC, etc.
- Career Awareness Week: Career Fair
- Carter Bloodcare Blood Drive
- Leadership Conference Webinar Series
- Live video chats during activity period



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The one-stop-shop for textbooks and more

The NTCC College Store is more than just a bookstore. Whether students are looking for books, scantrons, school supplies, apparel or electronics, this store offers a variety of items.

The store has flexible hours to accommodate students' schedules and knowledgeable bookstore specialists are always ready to assist.

If students need help finding course materials, information can also be found on the bookstore website, www.ntccbookstore.com. After browsing the catalog and finding all the materials required, the bookstore offers an estimated price and purchase options.

In order to pick up textbooks or uniforms, students must sign in using the kiosk at the entrance of the store or with their cell phones.

Students can buy new or used textbooks for the semester and sell them back to the bookstore after the course ends. Students should not remove the plastic wrapper until

speaking with an instructor to be sure it is the correct textbook.

To receive a refund, students must keep the receipt and bring the book back in the same condition it was purchased.

The time frame to return a book will be printed on the receipt, but if a student is still unclear, they are urged to check with a store specialist.

While in the College Store, check out the latest NTCC merchandise. Show your Eagle pride with a large selection of apparel, and when it's time for graduation, don't forget to purchase a diploma frame.

When making a purchase, the bookstore accepts different types of payment methods including cash, check, Visa, Master Card, Discover and pell financial aid.

Students may email the store at bookstore@ntcc.edu for more information.



College Store Hours

Mon - Thur:
7:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Friday:
8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Need Information About Transferring?

Visit the Transfer Center in the BT building

Mon - Thur: 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Fri - 8 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Dining Hours

Mon-Thur

Breakfast - 7:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.

Lunch - 11:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Dinner - 5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Friday

Breakfast - 7:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.

Lunch - 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Dinner - 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Sat-Sun

Brunch - 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Dinner - 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

JO'S Coffee Shop

NTCC campus location



Monday - Thursday

7:30 am - 2:00 pm

NTCC Fitness Center

Mon - Thur 6:30 a.m. - 11:00 p.m.

Fri 6:30 a.m. - 12:00p.m.

*Open daily to
dorm students
and staff*

*Open Monday
through Friday for
general students*

Current student, staff ID required

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STAFF PHOTO | SERENITY MITCHELL

A group of students work together on a school project in the Learning Commons.

Get your knowledge on at the Learning Commons

The Learning Commons has a wider variety of resources than any other building on campus.

The LC is the place on campus to study, find research material and grab a quick cup of coffee.

The library offers a diverse collection of books, newspapers, and videos.

Due to COVID-19, students must ask one of the library staff to retrieve a specific book that they are looking for.

Additional resources, such as eBooks, eJournals, magazines, and other sources can be found on the online database at ntcc.edu/library.

Students can also access the online database through the NTCC website. Under the "Academics" dropdown menu, select "Library."

New seating arrangements allow for

students to social distance while studying in the comfy sitting areas by the Jo's Coffee Shop.

This to-go stop for assorted drinks and snacks is also nicknamed the Caddo Café.

Students have access to socially-distanced, enclosed study booths for working on homework in a safe and private setting.

A computer lab is available in the LC for students with an NTCC login. The computer lab also offers a printing station and scanner.

Due to social-distance standards, a limited number of computers are available in the LC.

Other computer labs have been set up in various locations around campus, find the list on page 4.

A second printing station can also be found in the

SUB.

Prices vary depending on what is being printed. Students can pay with a debit card or a printer card, which can be bought in the College Store.

Along with all the library services, the LC also houses NTCC's collection of Caddo Indian artifacts on display throughout the building.

The John Biggers mural and artwork are also features of the Learning Commons.

Learning Commons Hours

Mon - Thur:
8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Friday:
8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Off-Campus NTCC Locations

Industrial Technology Training Center

1100 Lakewood Dr,
Mount Pleasant

Community Resource Center

105 North Riddle Ave,
Mount Pleasant

Hanson-Sewell Center

237 College St,
Pittsburg

Culinary Arts School

114 Jefferson St,
Pittsburg



Student Services

- Testing Center →
- Advising
- Financial Aid
- Admissions
- Transcripts
- Registrar
- Campus job resumes



Testing Center

- Student ID card required
- Locker provided for personal items
- Private room for special accommodations

Student Services Hours

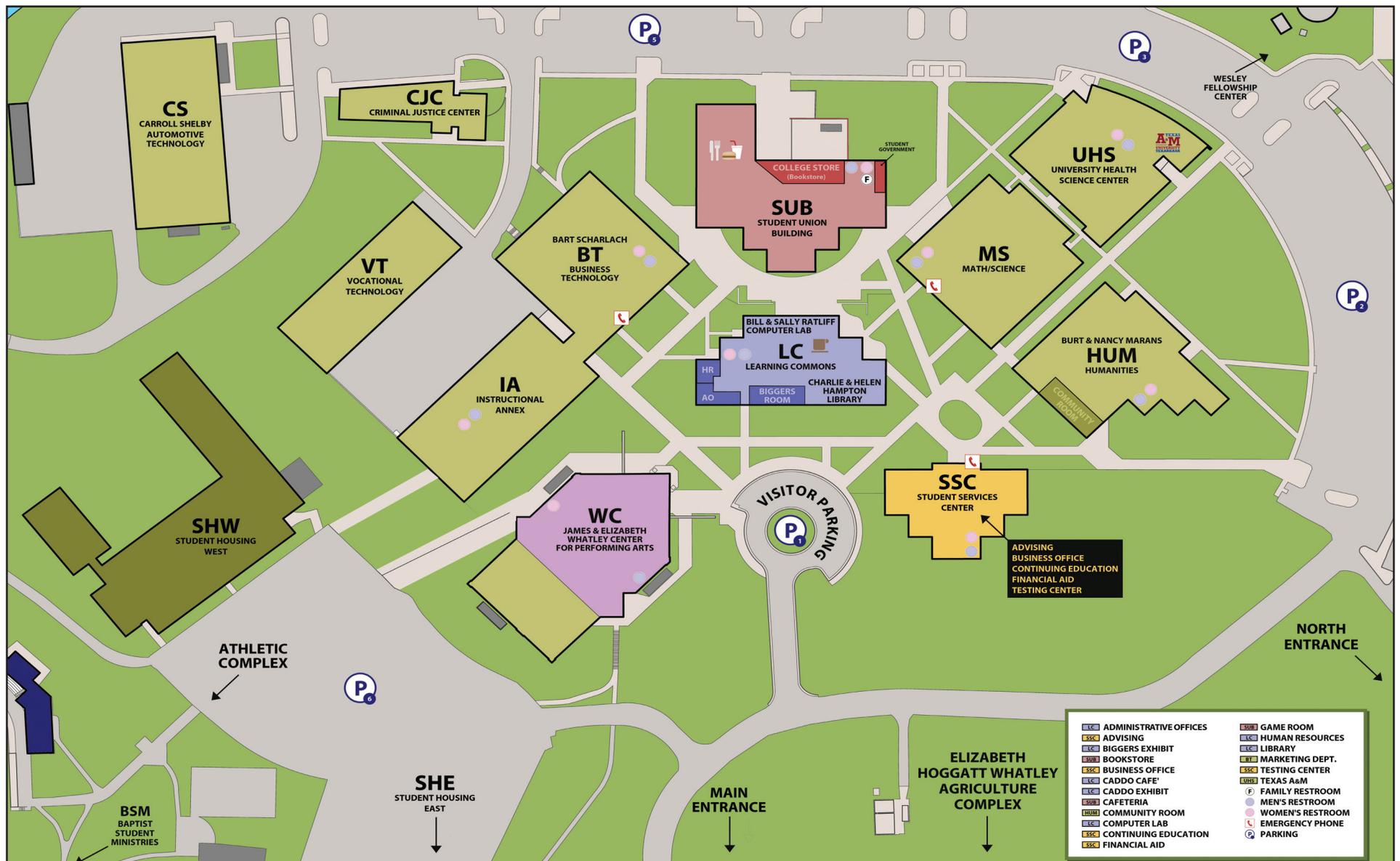
Mon-Thur: 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Fri: 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

* Tests must begin by 5 p.m. *

* Tests must begin by 11 a.m. *

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Glossary

SUB: Student Union Building

- Features the cafeteria, college store, recreational/gaming area, ATM, printer and vending machines.

LC: Learning Commons

- Features the library, computer lab, Jo's Coffee Shop, private study booths, games, printer and historical artifacts.

HUM: Humanities building

- Known for its history, government, English and art courses and the Eagle room.

BT: Business Technology building

- Holds cosmetology, business and math classes, as well as Public Relations and Web Master offices.

UHS: University Health Science building

- Known for its health science classrooms and houses the Texas A&M University-Texarkana offices. The UHS building can be spotted by its clock tower.

MS: Math and Science building

- Has math and science classes and labs.

IA: Instructional Annex building

- Houses Computer Services, Upward Bound, Communities in Schools, Funeral Services, the athletic training facility, and additional classes.

IT: Industrial Technology building

- Located on I-30 near Lowe's.

HY: Hybrid course

- A learning format for classes. Hybrids typically include both online and in-class components, though format may vary.

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Eagle Pantry assists students with food insecurity needs

In December 2018, the NTCC Social Work Club started the campus' first food pantry, and its size and significance have only grown since.

The Eagle Pantry is located in the Wesley Fellowship Ministry building on NTCC's main campus and is available to all NTCC students, both dorm and traditional.

The Eagle Pantry will be open every Thursday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. for curbside pickup through the Fall semester. The pantry will only fill orders for students who send a email to CARE@ntcc.edu from their NTCC student email at least one day in advance.

Dual credit students are asked to indicate that they are dual credit in their email. Once emailed, the pantry will respond with a time to pick up the care package.

The Eagle Pantry offers an assortment of non-perishable food items and hygiene products. Donations are always accepted, but the items must be non-perishable, non-

frozen and cannot be already expired.

NTCC students with their current student ID will be allowed to take home enough food to sustain the number of members in their household.

Last year, the pantry received the Innovation Solutions for Hunger Relief in Student Success grant. This two-year funding will pave the way for the pantry's growing future.

Carmen Shurtleff, instructor of social work and sociology, said she aspires to have an official care center on campus which will house both perishable and non-perishable foods, hygiene products, baby items and a clothing closet with a small fee.

Shurtleff is also now working with an on-campus, Master's-level case manager intern that will assist students with not only academic, but personal, mental and social issues.

For questions or concerns, students and their families can contact the Eagle Pantry at CARE@ntcc.edu.



STAFF PHOTO | JOELLE WEATHERFORD

Nancy La Batt serves lunch to NTCC student Aaron Johnston in the newly redesigned grab-N-go section of the SUB's buffet line.

GWD adjusts food services for COVID-19 precautions

With the recent COVID-19 pandemic, the Great Western Dining kitchen at Northeast Texas Community College has changed their layout and distribution system to accommodate for social distancing and help prevent the spread of the coronavirus.

"We are excited to see everyone as we begin our journey in this 'new normal,'" Nancy La Batt, NTCC Food Service Director, said. "I hope you will see that, even though some things had to be changed, we are doing all we can to offer you a great dining experience."

The food service area has been adjusted to allow for customers, only 13 at a time, to stand six feet apart. All other customers will have to stand in a socially distancing line at the register.

All food and drinks will be placed in disposable containers. Drinks and condiments, like the entrées, will be handed to the customers to prevent contamination. The meals will remain all-you-can-eat, however, La Batt said they will fill the disposable containers with as much food as they can.

"We will not be enforcing the one-entree-at-a-time this year because of the people taking it to go, and so many people

will take it and leave the building. So we'll fill the box, basically, and that'll allow about two entrées plus sides or whatever. So we're kind of fudging on that a little bit."

The salads, pizza, fruit, and other buffet items will be placed in ready-to-go boxes. More than one of an item may be purchased in moderation. La Batt asks that customers not touch items they will not be purchasing.

"Hopefully people won't feel cheated when they walk out," La Batt said.

Non-dorm students who plan to regularly eat in the SUB can purchase a meal plan in the Student Services building.

Students can purchase up to 50 meals per semester with a pre-paid plan. Meal plans are non-refundable and cannot be transferred to another semester.

The meal plans are placed on the student's ID card, which will be swiped at the cafeteria register at every meal.

Students may pay for their plan with cash, check or financial aid.

If students are paying with financial aid and drop or lose their aid for any reason, they become responsible for paying for the meal plan.

THE EAGLE PANTRY

Open to all current NTCC students with an ID

Every 2nd & 4th

Thursday of the month

Curbside pickup at NTCC Wesley Fellowship

By appointment only - email care@ntcc.edu

For more information:

Carmen Shurtleff

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CARE@ntcc.edu

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CAMPUS SPOTLIGHT



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Left, students Cailyn Southerlands and Emily Hughs collect plants and vegetables in the Eagle Farm's garden.

Above, a Work4College student parks an Eagle Ranch tractor after spending the morning moving large items across the property.

NTCC self-sustainable Ag program is one-of-a-kind

By ELISABETH LIVELY
Editor-in-Chief

A farm, a ranch, a state-of-the-art agriculture building, a farmer's market, and it's all fully self-sustainable.

This describes the unique Ag department at Northeast Texas Community College. However, the program was not nearly this large 36 years ago when the college began teaching agriculture classes.

The college property was originally farmland, and a large portion of that land remains today as the Ag department's working farm.

The highlight of the department is the Elizabeth Hoggatt Whatley Agricultural Complex. The building is a certified green platinum facility, only one of four in the nation.

"There's a whole book of rules they had to follow in order to do the design, the

materials they picked, all of that kind of things they had to follow," Rene McCracken, NTCC director of sustainable agriculture, said.

Until 2010, Ag classes were taught in the Industrial Annex building on the main campus. Two years later, McCracken arrived at NTCC, making a significant change in the Ag program.

"When I got here, they asked me to set up a small farm, a sustainable kind of market farm, where you're going to a farmer's market and you're selling stuff," McCracken said. "We're incorporating the kitchen that we have, and so it's basically from planting the seed all the way to the processing end of it. And that becomes the lab for all our students, but our community also enjoys it too."

The Ag program usually holds a farmer's market in

Mount Pleasant, however, the coronavirus has forced McCracken to think outside the box. The Ag Program established a drive-thru farmer's market under the pavilion at the Ag Complex.

Often, the Ag program will donate its food to the Eagle Pantry for students in need.

Hidden from view, the Eagle Ranch lays on the back-half of the 250 acres of Ag property.

"The ranch side is just cow, calves and hay, which is traditional, east Texas cow, calf operation," McCracken said. "It's ran that way. We have our registered bulls, though, and we do artificial insemination. All that stuff we do that is much more than what a typical ranch would do, because we are doing it for our students so that they know how."

Hidden behind the trees, the ranch is comprised of a

flourishing, green landscape of hills, a pond, a river with a bridge, and at least two small waterfalls.

The Ag program also has a plant and vegetable farm, flower patch, greenhouse, and animal pens, which surround the Ag Complex.

"Then on the farm side, that's where we pull in all the gardening, and the greenhouses. And the small things that work here better than cows are goats, and chickens, and turkeys, and things like that."

McCracken said that, while the ranch and farm work in different ways, the two work together to get the best out of the land.

"We really do start from the ground up," McCracken said. "We're improving the soils, we're reducing our waste, and that's part of sustainability, that's what it is."



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Student Megan Folk works in the Ag Complex kitchen making eight different types of homemade pickles. She is using ingredients freshly picked from the Eagle Farm's garden.

DEGREES & CERTIFICATES

NTCC OFFERS A DIVERSE PATH OF CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Associate – A.A./A.S.

- Accounting, A.S.
- Agriculture, A.S.
- Art, A.A.
- Biology, A.S.
- Biomedical Science, A.S.
- Business Administration, A.S.
- Chemistry, A.S.
- Communications, A.A.
- Computer and Information Sciences, A.S.
- Criminal Justice, A.S.
- Engineering, A.S.
- English, A.A.
- General Studies, A.A.
- General Studies, A.S.
- Government, A.A.
- History, A.A.
- Human Performance, A.S.
- Mathematics, A.S.
- Music, A.A.
- Nursing - Pre-BSN Nursing, A.S.
- Physical Education, A.S.
- Physics, A.S.
- Pre-Professional Studies, A.S.
- Psychology, A.A.
- Psychology, A.S.
- Social Work, A.S.
- Sociology, A.S.
- Spanish, A.A.
- Theatre, A.A.

Associate of Applied Science – A.A.S.

- Agriculture - Sustainable Agriculture, A.A.S.
- Agriculture, A.A.S.
- Auto Body Repair, A.A.S.
- Automotive Technology - Carroll Shelby Automotive Service Technician Specialization, A.A.S.
- Business Management - Accounting Specialization, A.A.S.
- Business Management - Criminal Justice Specialization, A.A.S.

- Business Management, A.A.S.
- Community Health, A.A.S.
- Computer and Information Sciences - Applications Specialization, A.A.S.
- Computer and Information Sciences - Networking Specialization, A.A.S.
- Cosmetology Operator Training Program, A.A.S.
- Criminal Justice with Law Enforcement Certification, A.A.S.
- Criminal Justice, A.A.S.
- Culinary Arts, A.A.S.
- Emergency Medical Services, A.A.S.
- Funeral Service, A.A.S.
- Health Studies, A.A.S.
- Healthcare Management, A.A.S.
- Industrial Technology, A.A.S.
- Medical Assistant, A.A.S.
- Medical Laboratory Technology, A.A.S.
- Nursing - Associate Degree Nursing, A.A.S.
- Nursing - Transition to Professional Nursing, A.A.S.
- Physical Therapist Assistant, A.A.S.
- Welding - Welding/Mechanical Specialization, A.A.S.

Associate of Arts in Teaching – A.A.T.

- Teacher Education - Multiple Levels, A.A.T.

Certificate

- Agriculture - Farm and Ranch Management Certificate
- Agriculture - Sustainable Agriculture Level 1 Certificate
- Agriculture - Sustainable Agriculture Level 2 Certificate
- Auto Body Repair Certificate - Level 1
- Auto Body Repair Tech Certificate
- Automotive Technology - Automotive Maintenance and Light Repair Level 1 Certificate
- Automotive Technology - Automotive Maintenance Specialist Level 1 Certificate
- Automotive Technology - Carroll Shelby Automotive Service Technician Specialization Level 2 Certificate

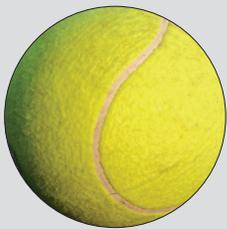
- Automotive Technology - Carroll Shelby Performance Academy Level 1 Certificate
- Business Management - Criminal Justice Specialization Certificate
- Business Management - Financial Accounting Certificate
- Business Management Certificate
- Computer and Information Sciences - Advanced Computer Applications Certificate
- Computer and Information Sciences - Advanced Cyber Security Certificate
- Computer and Information Sciences - Computer Applications Certificate
- Computer and Information Sciences - Computer Maintenance & Repair Certificate
- Computer and Information Sciences - Computer Programming Certificate
- Computer and Information Sciences - Cyber Security Certificate
- Cosmetology Instructor Training Certificate
- Cosmetology Operator Certificate
- Culinary Arts Certificate
- Electrical Technology Certificate
- Emergency Medical Services - Emergency Medical Technician - Basic Certificate
- Emergency Medical Services - Paramedic Certificate
- Funeral Service Certificate
- Industrial Technology - Industrial Electro-Mechanical Technology Level 1 Certificate
- Industrial Technology - CNC Operator Certificate
- Industrial Technology - Industrial Technician Level 1 Certificate
- Industrial Technology - Robotics/Automation Operations Emphasis Level 1 Certificate
- Medical Assistant - Medical Coding Specialist Level 1 Certificate
- Nursing - Vocational Nursing Certificate
- Patient Care Technician/Assistant Level 1 Certificate
- Welding - Basic Structural (Plate) Welding Certificate
- Welding - Basic Welding Certificate
- Welding - Pipe Welding Fabrication Certificate
- Welding - Welding Fab - Auto Body/Auto Tech Certificate

ACTIVITIES & ORGANIZATIONS



Sports

Men's Soccer
 Women's Soccer
 Softball
 Baseball
 Rodeo



Intramural & intermural sports

Pool
 Ping Pong
 Volleyball
 Basketball
 Tennis
 Dodgeball
 Flag Football
 Bass Fishing

Fall 2020 Student Activities

Aug 25	Organizations Luncheon
Aug 26-27	Welcome Back Week
Sept 10	Organizations Fair
Sept 11	Pool Tournament
Sept 21-24	Multicultural Week
Sept 24	Ping Pong Tournament
Oct 9	Basketball Tournament
Oct 23	Tennis Tournament
Nov 5	Talent Show
Nov 12	Bonfire

Religious Organizations

Lunch provided by religious organizations are free	Methodist	
	Taco Tuesdays, 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	
	Aaron Dudley	
	Wesley Fellowship building	
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	Baptist	
	Wednesdays, 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	
	Joel McMullan	
	Baptist Student Ministry building	
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Lutheran		
Mondays, 12:20 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.		
Andrew Yox		
HUM 102		

Student Organizations

- Ag Club
- Amigos Unidos
- Bass Fishing Club
- BioChem/Environmental Club
- Brother to Brother
- Business Club
- Carroll Shelby Automotive Technology Car Club
- Cosmetology Club
- Eagle Eye Photography Club
- EMS Club
- Film Club
- Honors Society
- More Alike Than Different
- N-OADN Alpha Delta Nu
- NTCC TableTop Club
- Northeast Industrial Technology Association
- Northeast Student Nurse Association
- NTCC Student Publications
- Office Technology Club
- Phi Theta Kappa
- Physics & Engineering Club
- Physical Therapist Assistant Club
- Psi Beta
- Sigma Kappa Delta
- Social Work Club
- Society of Collegiate Journalists
- Student Funeral Practitioner's Association
- Student Government Association
- Student Success Association
- Student Veterans Organization
- Travel Study Club Northeast
- Webb Historical Society

For information on organizations, contact Rico Willis at rwillis@ntcc.edu

ACTIVITIES & ORGANIZATIONS

Campus activities offer fun for students



Held annually, the Multicultural and Career Awareness fair highlights the cultures and nationalities within our community, including those of NTCC's international students.

"The goal for us is to be able to shape our community with those different backgrounds, cultures and so on," said Rico Willis, director of student activities and multicultural affairs.

This week-long event features a variety of things to do, including a multicultural fashion show and cooking contest, a career fair, art displays, sports tournaments, and interactive games and activities.

"I hope when it comes to this event that people will learn to appreciate the differences that we share," Willis said. "We have to understand that we're not all the same, we think differently, we look differently and we act differently, and our

beliefs are different."

While Multicultural and Career Awareness week is a highlight of the fall semester, the spring has its own equally fun event for students to look forward to.

"Springfest is a fun celebration for our NTCC students to thank them for attending NTCC as their choice of college and for all their hard work," Erica Aguinaga, former president of the NTCC Student Government Association said.

Springfest is packed with a week of food, music and activities for everyone to enjoy. Each day, students can gather outside the SUB to enjoy the activities, music and food provided by the RACS catering service.

Activities vary each year, but often include archery, corn-

hole, and an obstacle course and/or water slide, with intramural sports tournaments held later in evenings.

Both Multicultural and Career Awareness Week and Springfest are completely free of charge to all students and staff.

Due to COVID-19, activities have been adjusted to accommodate with COVID-19 precautions. Some annual events have been cancelled due to the large crowds.



Student Government Association

Organize campus activities!
Compete in competitions!
Scholarships opportunities available!

Mondays from 12:25 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. in SUB 101

FILM CLUB

Everyone is welcome to join or attend the Film Club for their weekly movie nights

FREE ADMISSION

Popcorn and drinks available for purchase

Thursdays at 6:30 in HUM 129

FINANCES

Work programs at NTCC

With the national student debt standing at nearly \$1.6 trillion and climbing, Northeast Texas Community College offers an alternative way to finance college.

One option is the Work4College program, in which students earn a wage while also creating a fund for tuition.

This program is privately funded through donations from the community.

Since the program started in 2014, students have worked a variety of jobs, including the college farm, student services, student housing, the automotive shop, the library and the athletic department. Students can pick up an application for the Work4College program at the front desk in Student Services.

Work4College isn't the only job opportunity NTCC offers its students. The Federal Work Study Program is another employment option. Students, who receive a Pell Grant, can apply for a variety of Work Study positions.

If hired, students can work up to 20 hours a week at minimum wage.

"It's like a part-time job," Kenzie Messer, Student Services Specialist, said.

Unlike Work4College, students receive their entire paycheck, rather than half of the funds going toward their college tuition.

Even students who do not receive a pell grant can still be employed as a Work Study student.

"If you don't meet that qualification to be a federal work study student, you can still be a student worker," Messer said. "But, you would have to be paid out of institutional budget funds, which come out of whatever department you're working for."

If they reapply and are accepted, student workers can keep their same job for the following semester.

To apply for a position, visit the Student Services lobby and review the job postings listed in the Work Study binder.

For everyone's safety...

**PLEASE DO NOT
GATHER IN
HALLWAYS**

Wi-Fi is accessible in our parking lot for your convenience and limited seating is available in the Library and SUB for use between classes.

Student Work Programs on Campus



Work4College

- \$15/hr
- 15 hrs/wk
- 50% income pays for college expenses only
- Privately funded
- Leadership course
- Various job types



Work Study

- \$7.25/hr
- 20 hrs/wk
- Part time job
- Funded through financial aid or department budget
- Various job types

Need Assistance?

Don't stress about it!

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FINANCES

Money management tips Planning and paying for a college degree

In an effort to raise awareness about financial literacy, Northeast Texas Community College has invested in a software that allows students to gain insight into their financial personalities.

Students are able to use this software to improve their financial literacy by taking financial wellness courses. Additional tools include a scholarship and job search.

"I'm looking forward to meeting my students that are interested in financial literacy and working to figure out a budget that will work for them and their future," NTCC Financial Literacy Coach Linda Forrest said. "I feel financial literacy is going to be a tool that will serve them for the rest of their lives and it's part of the growing college experience."

Students will be able to access the software through their myEagle portal, by

going into the "Financial" tab and clicking on the iGrad option. On the website, students can view scholarship opportunities, take financial personality quiz, view job listings and receive budgeting and credit score tips.

"The goal of the financial literacy department is to assist students in maintaining a spending plan and graduating from college with as little debt as possible,"

Forrest said. "Financial literacy covers a broad spectrum of information including scholarships, job search, career paths and good lifelong financial habits."

For the immediate needs of students, the scholarship search can help students find diverse funding opportunities for tuition. Scholarships can also fund additional fees, such as dorms, textbooks or other supplies. The search provides students with a wealth of options for applying to scholarships.

There is a possibility that some students started saving a while ago or stumbled across a pot of gold, but chances are most students need a plan to pay for college.

The U.S. Department of Education's office of Federal Student Aid is the best place to turn for assistance. The department is the largest provider of grants, loans and work-study funds.

When it is time to apply for aid, don't be shy to ask for help completing the free application for FAFSA. The official website is fafsa.gov.

NTCC, like any other college, will use the information on your FAFSA application to calculate how much aid will be awarded. If a student receives a grant or work-study job, the money will not have to be repaid. However, federal student loans must be repaid just like any other loan. Additional information about student loans can be found at studentloans.gov.

Applying for FAFSA does have some requirements, according to www.studentaid.ed.gov. A student must be a U.S. citizen or an eligible non-citizen and have a valid social security number.

A full list of requirements can be found on the website.

Texas residents, who do not qualify for FAFSA, can complete the Texas Application for State Financial Aid. If they qualify, students can receive some assistance. To be eligible for TAFSA, recipients must meet

eligibility requirements.

Kim Irvin, dean of financial aid and enrollment management, said a full list of these requirements, along with a link to download the application with instructions for the 2020 - 21 school year, are available at www.collegeforalltexas.com.

After completion of either the FAFSA or TASFA application, the college may require the student to verify the information submitted. If necessary, the NTCC financial aid office will notify the student to let them know what steps they need to take.

To access the NTCC Financial Aid page, go to the "Get Started" drop down menu on the college's website and select "Financial Aid." From there, a student can gain information about tuition costs and the types of aid available.

Students can also view several videos that explain the process for completing the FAFSA application by visiting www.ntcc.edu/financialaid and clicking on the Financial Aid TV Portal link in the bottom right hand corner of the page.

Filling out applications can be somewhat overwhelming and a bit stressful, but just relax, take a second and understand that it is OK to ask for help.

Just remember, that a member of the NTCC Financial Aid department in Student Services is always ready to assist. For information contact Shala Riden at 903-434-8146.



Looking for Scholarships?

iGrad

Sign in with your NTCC credentials

Check your student email regularly for
NTCC scholarship opportunities!

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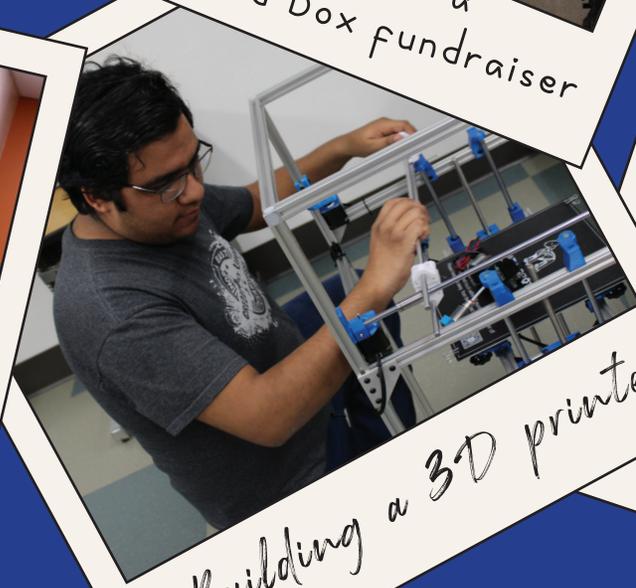
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