

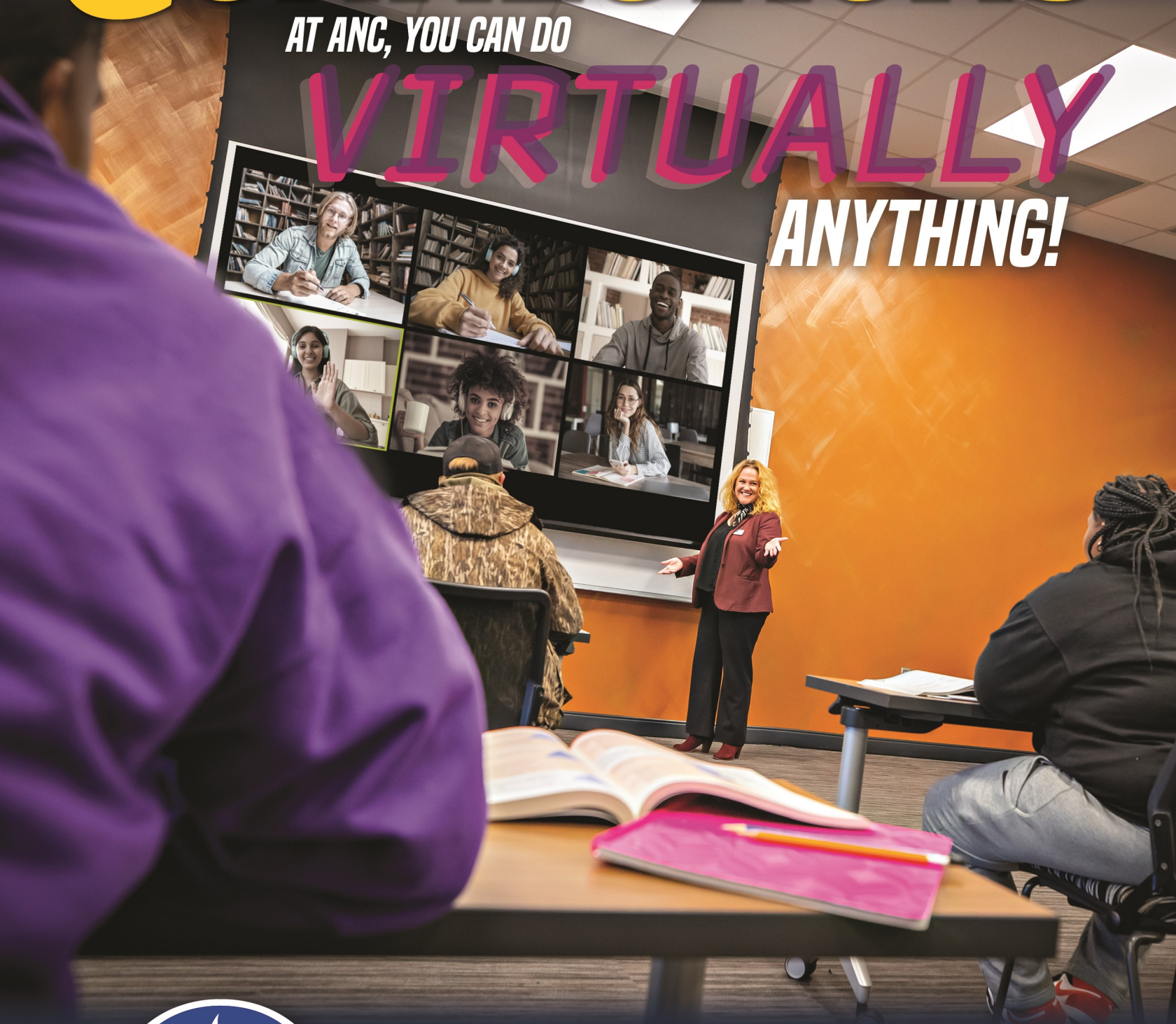
FALL/WINTER 2020

ARKANSAS NORTHEASTERN COLLEGE

CONNECTIONS

AT ANC, YOU CAN DO

VIRTUALLY ANYTHING!



WITH OUR COMMITMENT TO OUR STUDENTS AND BY INVESTING IN NEW TECHNOLOGY, ANC LOOKS TO MAKE THE VIRTUAL CLASSROOM EVEN MORE INTERACTIVE! **PAGE 9-10**

A Letter from our

President

While the year 2020 could be considered one of the most challenging times in history, I am proud to say that the faculty and staff of the Arkansas Northeastern College have worked extremely hard to meet and even exceed the challenges faced this past year. We have changed far more than anyone could have predicted, and we have focused on the positive -- our students.

Amidst a worldwide pandemic, we have managed to provide more than just learning for our students. We continue to provide the Opportunity Bus for students with no transportation, the Career Closet to help clothe those in need at no cost, free tutoring for all classes, and even community mentors to help motivate and guide students struggling to manage college and life. We understand that it is very hard to learn when you are hungry, and we have found that many of our students deal with hunger on a daily basis. Because of this, we have developed food resources for students on campus, as well as off-campus through non-profit providers. The ANC family works hard to meet all the needs of our students.

The COVID-19 pandemic has certainly illustrated the need to be flexible and to find new ways of doing old things, and ANC has adapted. The world is becoming more virtual, and the Arkansas Northeastern College is investing in making the virtual classroom a more interactive one. We have seen an increase in enrollment in our online and ZOOM teleconferencing courses, so we have increased the number of courses we offer using these delivery methods. We recognize that in today's environment, many students are more comfortable taking classes online or through ZOOM. We also realize that, as students become more acclimated to attending class this way, the need to provide these options will not diminish in the future and may even increase. Because of this, the Arkansas Northeastern College is resolved to enhance and improve the virtual classroom experience. We have committed to a significant investment in audiovisual equipment specifically customized for virtual delivery from ANC classrooms. This new equipment will allow instructors more mobility when teaching via ZOOM and will provide better sound and viewing quality for students. This will make the virtual classroom experience much closer to an in-person, live classroom experience for all members of the class. Three classrooms on the main campus will be equipped by the start of classes in January, 2021, with additional classrooms planned in the near future.

Our students' successes are important to us, and we realize that course delivery is an important component to success. We are all learning to navigate in this new virtual age, and we are excited about the opportunities it provides. This College has been serving the people of Mississippi County and surrounding areas for over 45 years. Our history is strong and so is our perseverance. We are dedicated to our students and the communities we serve, and we will continue to be innovative in our approach to that service. I am very proud of our accomplishments during the 2020 year and look forward to even greater things in the future. Best wishes for a happy, safe, and successful New Year.

Respectfully,

Dr. James Shemwell

ANC President

OUR MISSION:

Arkansas Northeastern College is committed to providing accessible, quality educational programs, services, and lifelong learning opportunities.

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ANC OUTSTANDING ALUMNUS & ACADEMIC ALL-STAR RECOGNIZED

Due to COVID-19, the Arkansas Community Colleges (ACC) held its annual conference virtually this year. As part of the conference, they recognized the Outstanding Alumnus and Academic All-Star Student, for each of the 22 two-year colleges in the state on Tuesday, October 13, 2020. In conjunction with the presented awards, a luncheon was held in the Governors Ballroom.

ANC's Outstanding Alumnus, Michael E. Jacques, is the Southern Bancorp Regional Business Manager for Primetals Technologies USA. Michael Jacques attended ANC from 1988-1990 and then transferred to earn his bachelor's degree. He has worked in mechanical engineering for many years. Despite a 4.0 GPA, work demands halted his educational endeavors just one course shy of completing his MBA. He is the Manager for Primetals Technologies in Blytheville and is responsible for plants in four other states. Jacques serves as President-Elect for the Chamber of Commerce, Treasurer for the National Cold War Center, President of Blytheville Unlimited, is a Board Member of the Mississippi County Union Mission, and an active helicopter pilot for the Mississippi County Sheriff's Department.

ANC's Academic All-Star Student, Lamar Clark of Blytheville, earned his GED and had several jobs before entering Arkansas Northeastern College's Online Steel Tech Program. He has maintained a cumulative 4.0 GPA after more than 50 hours of college work. Lamar pushes himself and has goals beyond graduating from ANC. He spends many hours studying and in the computer lab. He always participates in class and helps other students with their work. In his live classes, he sits in the front row where he pushes his instructors beyond the course curriculum. He is a great role model, and ANC is proud of his accomplishments.



ANC Outstanding Alumnus
Michael E. Jacques



ANC Academic All-Star
Lamar Clark



NAVARRO CHOSEN AS FALL 2020 ANC STUDENT SNAPSHOT RECIPIENT



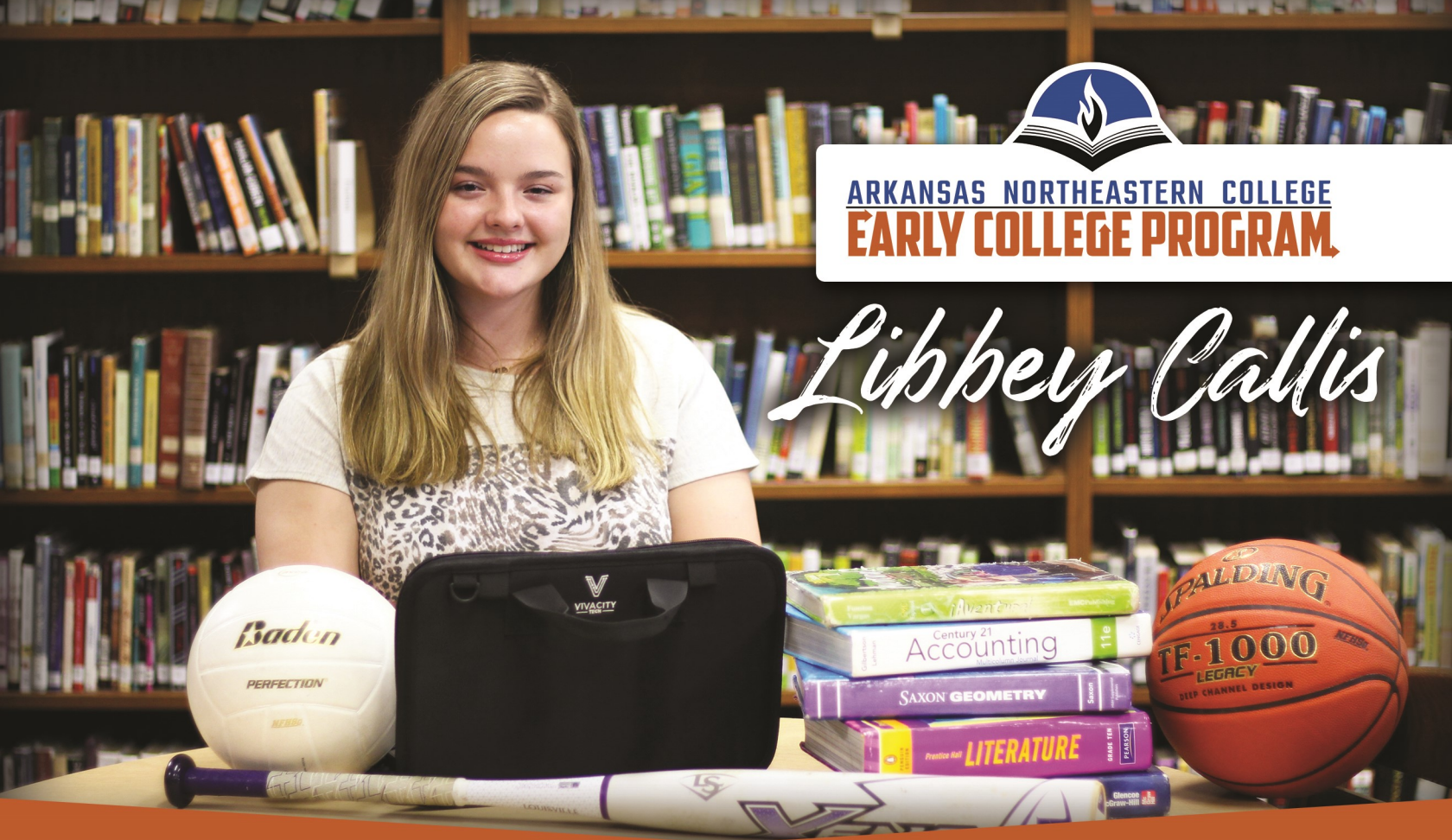
Arkansas Northeastern College Associate Degree Nursing student, Christina Navarro of Leachville, has been chosen as the ANC Student Snapshot recipient for the 2020 fall semester.

Navarro was nominated by ANC Assistant Professor of Nursing & Allied Health, Kyra Langley. Langley noted that Christina is currently working as an LPN at Great River Medical Center while going to school to become a Registered Nurse. Langley said, "This is no easy task, but Christina handles the situation with grace and dignity. Each day she displays professionalism and integrity both in the classroom and in the simulation/clinical setting." She went on to say, "She (Navarro) is respectful and polite to her peers as well as the faculty. She goes above and beyond to do her assigned work with detail. Her peers look to her for leadership and expertise and Christina humbly passes on that knowledge while also maintaining integrity to the fact that she is still learning and is a student herself."



ARKANSAS NORTHEASTERN COLLEGE EARLY COLLEGE PROGRAM

Libbey Callis



Q&A with an Early College Student

Libbey Callis is a sophomore at Holcomb High School and has been a student in ANC's Early College Program since the summer of 2019. Libbey is also a Nucor Diploma² recipient.

What made you decide to take college courses while in high school, and why did you choose ANC's Early College Program?

I started taking classes through ANC's Early College Program because I wanted to get a jumpstart on my college education while in high school. My ultimate career goal is to be an anesthesiologist, which will require several years of college and then medical school. Obviously, college and medical school aren't cheap, so the Early College Program's affordability was definitely appealing to my mom and me when I began looking into taking college courses. I am also a Nucor Diploma² recipient, which makes courses even more affordable.

As someone who had never taken an online course before attending ANC, what are your thoughts about online courses now?

Having never taken an online course before, I wasn't sure what to expect, but after learning the technology of the ANC portal, it's been straightforward. The first class that I took was Intro to Communications with Mr. Fisher, and he really helped lay the foundation for what would be expected in an online course. Since then, I have taken 5 other online courses, and they have been great!

What is your favorite thing about the courses you have taken so far?

I am very involved in athletics at my high school, and taking online courses through ANC has given me the flexibility to do my coursework on somewhat of my own schedule. All of my instructors have been quick to respond when I've needed something and have been clear with their expectations on the front end.

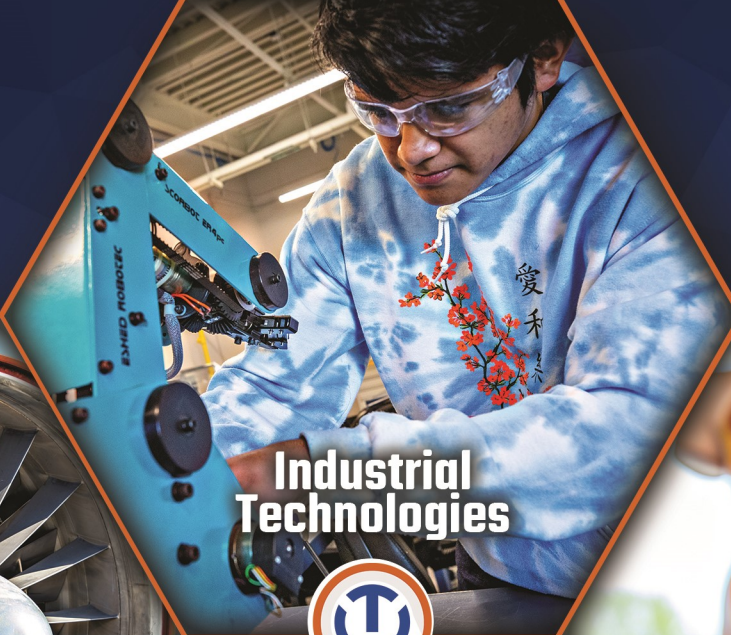
Do you have any advice for high school students who are considering taking college courses while in high school?

Don't procrastinate, read carefully, and pay attention to instructions! The Early College Program is a great opportunity, but it's important to take your classes seriously and put in the work.

For more information about ANC's Early College Program and/or the Nucor Diploma Squared Scholarship, contact your high school counselor or the ANC Early College Office at 870-838-9165



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Technology**



ARKANSAS NORTHEASTERN COLLEGE
TECH CENTER

The Arkansas Northeastern College Technical Center offers area high school students the opportunity to prepare for high-paying jobs in technical programs while completing their high school education. The Tech Center is housed in the ANC Center for Allied Technologies, a state-of-the-art facility built and equipped specifically for technical and occupational programs. With a focus on workforce education and expanding opportunities for high school students, the Tech Center provides students with hands-on training in career and technical programs of study that teach marketable job skills and offer industry certifications. Additionally, students can earn college credit towards Certificates of Proficiency, Technical Certificates, and Associate Degrees from ANC at NO COST to students. Books, tuition and fees are provided through the Center and funded by the Arkansas Department of Career Education.

For more information, contact your high school counselor or Center Director Michelle Bennett at 870-780-1200 or visit:

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ANC's Associate Degree Nursing Graduates Performing at the Highest Level

Most Recent Associate Degree Nursing Graduates Obtain 100% Licensure Pass Rate

Despite the challenges faced by the COVID-19 pandemic, Arkansas Northeastern College's most recent Associate Degree Nursing graduates obtained a 100% licensure pass rate. This is an amazing accomplishment under normal circumstances, but with the sudden changes the pandemic forced on the program and students in the spring semester, this year's pass rate is especially gratifying.

The licensure pass rate is based on completion of the National Council Licensure Exam for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN). The NCLEX-RN is the exam nursing graduates take to obtain their RN license once they have completed an RN program. The 100% pass rate reflects all first-time testers from July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020. For ANC, there were a total of 35 graduates from the RN program who tested (29 from the 2020 class and 6 from the 2019 class).

ANC's Associate Degree Nursing Program's perfect pass rate was well above the state average for RN programs which was 84.9%, and also above the national average of 87.9%. These scores reflect the learning that was accomplished amid alternate course delivery and clinical setting changes. While the world has experienced changes due to the pandemic, the health care industry faced immediate, major changes that affected the method in which allied health students could continue their studies. This involved a move to ZOOM teleconferencing and online teaching from the onset of COVID-19 as well as utilizing virtual simulation and other exercises to a higher degree due to the inability to access healthcare facilities for on-site clinical learning. ANC nursing faculty worked earnestly to continue to prepare students in an ever-changing learning environment.

"We are so proud of how well the students did on their licensure exam especially considering the fact that the last eight weeks we completed all class content by ZOOM and clinical hours using virtual simulations, case studies, and other critical thinking activities. We honestly didn't know what to expect and we were obviously thrilled by the results," said ANC Director/Associate Professor of Associate Degree Nursing Tonya Pankey, M.S.N., R.N., C.N.E.

"We are becoming more and more acclimated to new delivery methods for teaching and communicating with our students," said ANC Dean for Allied Health Brenda Holifield, M.S.N., R.N. "This has been a learning process for all of us and I am proud of the way we have all responded. Both our faculty and our students are working hard, and I believe the excellent pass rates are evidence of that hard work."

With new processes currently in place in the Allied Health Division, Holifield is encouraging those interested in pursuing a nursing career to check out what ANC has to offer and to start now. Both the Associate Degree Nursing (RN) and the Practical Nursing (LPN) programs are currently accepting applications for their next cohort, which will begin in August 2021.

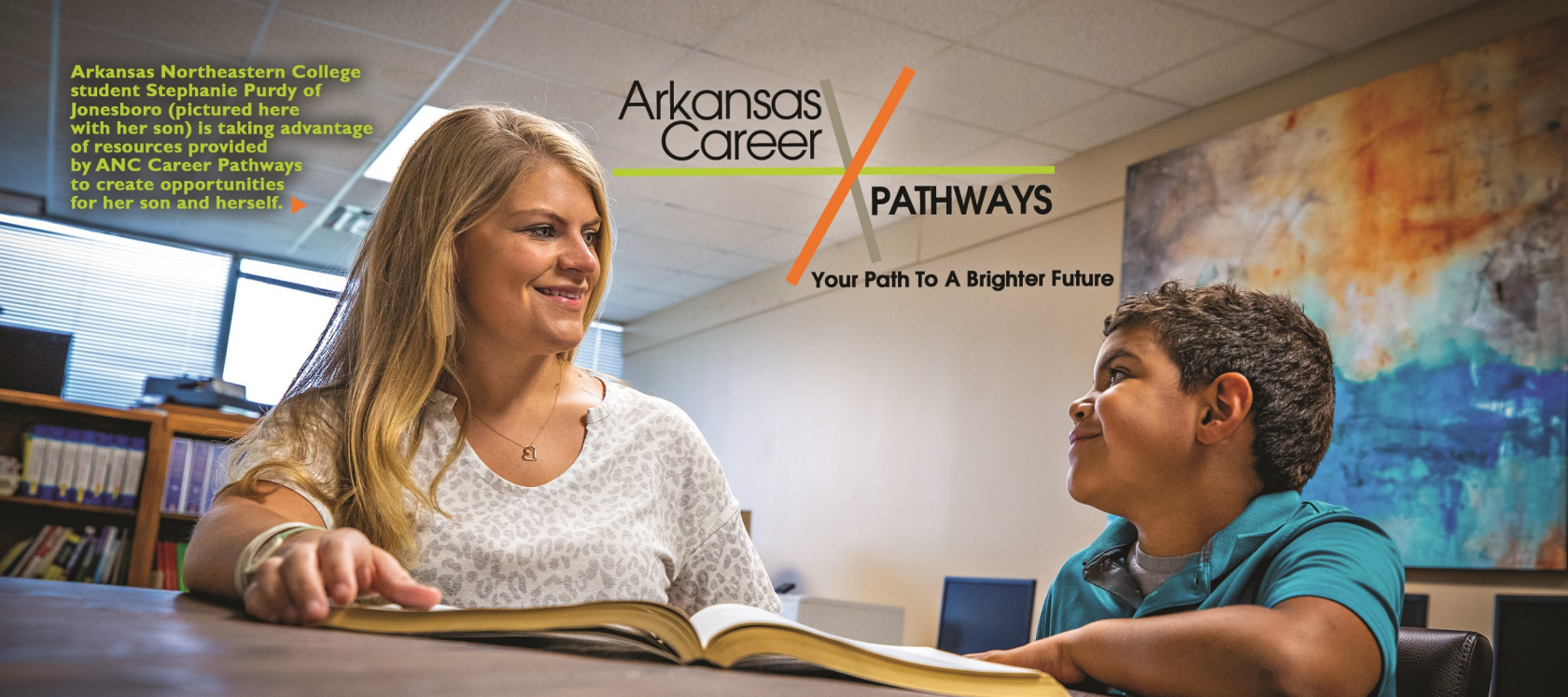
"If students will begin the application process now for the nursing programs, then they have the opportunity to complete prerequisites next semester before the next nursing class starts in the fall," said Academic Advisor and Career Specialist for Allied Health Programs, Jackson Neil, R.N., B.S.N. Neil also added that now is the perfect time to explore interests in other allied health programs too, such as emergency medical technician, paramedic, nursing assistant and phlebotomy which all begin new classes in January.

"Students interested in our allied health programs, especially nursing and paramedic, should not wait. Students can begin the application process now. Those interested are strongly encouraged to contact Mr. Neil as soon as possible to begin the process at 870-838-2984 or emailing him at jneil@smail.anc.edu," said Holifield.

Arkansas Northeastern College student Stephanie Purdy of Jonesboro (pictured here with her son) is taking advantage of resources provided by ANC Career Pathways to create opportunities for her son and herself. ▶

Arkansas Career PATHWAYS

Your Path To A Brighter Future



PATHWAYS PROVIDES OPPORTUNITIES

Arkansas Northeastern College is proud to be home to the most successful Career Pathways Program in the state. Arkansas Career Pathways along with the Arkansas Northeastern College and the Department of Workforce Services work to help move parents forward economically through education, training, and to assist the state in meeting the goal of reducing the need for public assistance. Career Pathways students can receive assistance for not only tuition and books, but childcare and gas also. This program has helped many people gain a certificate or degree to allow them to better provide for their families.

Stephanie Purdy of Jonesboro is one such success story in the making. A 2008 graduate of Brookland High School, Purdy worked several different jobs while trying to find her niche. She eventually worked her way into the healthcare field, where she has been for the past 10 years, but she feels it is time for a change.

“I had been contemplating going back to school for some time and I actually received a flyer in the mail and felt like that was my sign. I’m so glad that I gave it a shot because every single person that I have been in contact with at ANC has been so kind and helpful. Everyone there wants you to succeed and will help however they can,” said Purdy who is currently enrolled in ANC’s Online Steel Technology Program.

Purdy found the motivation to go back to school and do more through her eight-year-old son, so she contacted ANC to begin the process of becoming a student. “I heard about Career Pathways when I had called the financial aid office before I ever even started classes. Career Pathways has helped me tremendously. They have supplied me with basically everything I need to succeed. I take online classes and Career Pathways supplies the WiFi that I use, so without it I probably wouldn’t be able to take the classes I need to take,” said Purdy.

Purdy is enjoying her classes and says that she is learning so much. “My favorite class was math apps for manufacturing because I have always loved math. My favorite instructor has to be Mr. Semmel. He’s very good at explaining things in a way that I can understand instead of us just having to teach ourselves from textbooks. He has also done so much to help me along the way. I have had him for a few different classes now and he has gone above and beyond to make sure I succeed.”

When successfully completing the program, Purdy will be qualified for jobs within the steel industry that could pay anywhere from \$75,000 to \$95,000. Not only will she be in a position of earning higher wages, but she will not be saddled with debt from attending college. Career Pathways helps in so many areas.

“Choosing ANC was one of the best decisions I could’ve made. If you want to succeed, then everybody there is going to do everything in his or her power to help you get there. The kindness and compassion is unmatched,” said Purdy who also touts the Career Pathways staff as being helpful and motivating.

“I was very anxious when I signed up to go back to school because I hadn’t been to school in almost 10 years, and I was just afraid I wouldn’t be able to do it. I had talked to my son about it and he thought it was so cool that his mom was going to be going to school just like he was. I was afraid of letting him down, but I had to do it for him and for myself. I’m glad that I didn’t let fear talk me out of my goals because coming to this college was one of the best decisions I could’ve ever made. I have made so many friends along the way and everyone rooting for me lets me know that I can do it.”

Career Pathways is a valuable resource to parents who are residents of Arkansas

CALL US AT 870-762-3162 or visit www.anc.edu/pathways



ANC FOUNDATION/YAMATO KOGYO CO. SCHOLARSHIP Golf Tournament



Mr. Nick Iino (RIGHT), President of the Yamato Holding Company, presents the donation to ANC President Dr. James Shemwell (LEFT)

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Arkansas Northeastern College and its Foundation are extremely appreciative of the generosity and support of the Yamato Kogyo Company along with other local businesses. While we miss having a golf tournament this year, our students will not miss the scholarship opportunities it normally provides and for that we are very thankful!
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This year would have marked the 30th anniversary of the Yamato Kogyo/ANC Foundation Scholarship Golf Tournament. Unfortunately, due to the pandemic, this year’s tournament was canceled with hopes of bringing the event back next September. Because the Yamato Kogyo Company of Japan recognizes that the need for the scholarship still exists, they made the decision to continue to support the Yamato Kogyo Scholarship Fund at Arkansas Northeastern College. In honor of the 30 year anniversary, the company donated \$30,000 to the scholarship fund.

Several other businesses who have been past supporters of the golf tournament have joined the Yamato Kogyo Company in supporting the scholarship fund this year. To date, donations include: Southern Bancorp (\$1,000), American Roller Bearing Company (\$300), Hays Stores, Inc. (\$250) and Farmers Bank & Trust (\$200). Arkansas Northeastern College is fortunate to have the support of each of these companies and is honored to provide scholarships through the ANC Foundation - Yamato Kogyo Scholarship Fund. The continued support by the Yamato Kogyo Company and these other businesses will allow this important fund to continue to assist students during these difficult times.



2020 FALL SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS



Sharon Wingo Churchill Scholarship: Brittany Walker; **Cohen Scholarship:** Logan Harrison; **Prentice Joy Colston Memorial Scholarship:** Hunter Brown; **Col. J.M. Crane Memorial Scholarship:** Peyton Peeler; **Lindsey Ohlendorf Fairley Scholarship:** Holly Stockton; **Dr. Eldon Fairley and Dr. John Williams Scholarship:** Madison Gomer, Stephanie Stone; **Great River Promise Scholarship:** Hannah Burrow, Ashlee Carter, Deontae Davis, Gage Ephlin, Tanya Garcia, Emily Griffin, Jacob Hallett, Christian Hicks, Nykeria Jackson, Tavione Jackson, D’Angelo Jones, William Jones, Kynadhi McAdory, Alexis Nichols, Darrius Nichols, Callie Robinson, Taylor Smith, Jameson Stone, Jacob Swanson; **L.D. and Reddie Harris Scholarship:** Holly Stockton; **Hospital Gift Shoppe Auxiliary Scholarship:** Hunter Brown, Madison Gomer, Stephanie Stone, Hillary Bowers, Whitney Bunch, Jordan Johnson, Christina Navarro, Lauren Shempert; **Newcomb Memorial Scholarship:** Kaylee Bryan; **Nucor Diploma² Scholarship:** Emma Baker, Jake Baltimore, Emma Barnett, Takara Blankenship, Ashley Booker, Alyssa Brown, Elizabeth Callis, Annabelle Chandler, Matthew Cook, Marissa Cowden, Andrew Culp, Cannon Curtis, John Eddleman, Gavin Fry, William Gonzalez, Jeffrey Harris, Charles Heuring, Jacob Higgins, Lukas Hodges, Gabriel Holifield, Heavenly Hopper, Jacob Johnson, Andrew Jones, Kinsey Jones, Yahaira Juarez, Ally Ketchum, Elizabeth Long, Montana Long, Matthew Mabry, Zmaria Morris, Aaliyah Musa, Dante Newson, Brandi Peoples, Paxton Pierce, Beau Rinehart, Erick Rodriduez, Meegan Sanders, Tyler Shelton, Levi Smith, Maycie Terrell, Kortney Toler, Alexa Townsend, Brent Wilson; **Dr. King Nunn, III Memorial Scholarship:** Tyler Anderson; **Johnny W. Nutt Memorial Scholarship:** Tatum Tornkvist; **Eileen Hagan O’Neal Scholarship:** Ashlynn Brees; **Savanah Paige Pollock Memorial Scholarship:** Sarah Medley; **Sims Family Memorial Scholarship:** Holly Stockton; **Temple Israel Scholarship:** Tavione Jackson, D’Angelo Jones, Kynadhi McAdory, Shiyah Scott, Jessica Ibarra; **George Moore Trimue and Nancy McCauley Trimue Scholarship:** Tyler Anderson, Baudel Arreola, Matthew Britt, Kaylee Bryan, Hillary Bowers, Whitney Bunch, Hannah Burrow, Samaiyah Collins, Loren Davison, Angel Deleon, Kylee Dewitt, Addison Ephlin, Austin Fults, Geoffrey George, Taylor Hampton, Allison Harris, Nykeria Jackson, Tavione Jackson, Latrecia Jacobs, Jordan Johnson, D’Angelo Jones, Brody Lacy, Zachery Logan, Ryan Long, Mikayla Massey, Sarah Medley, Kynadhi McAdory, Briley Miller, Sarah Millikan, Christina Navarro, Brooke Nettles, Tyrone Pope, Robert Real, Callie Reams, Elizabeth Robinson, Alyssa Roquet, Kaitlyn Rounsavall, Madison Russell, Shiyah Scott, Lauren Shempert, Polly Sheppard, Brian Skelton, Ali Smith, Jaggar Souders, Sydney Stigall, Quensha Triplett, Rashad Turner, Francisco Valenzuela, Brittany Walker, Cameron Watkins, Breyden White, Abby Wilson, Savannah Winford; **Yamato-Kogyo Scholarship:** Ryan Austin, Teressa Boatman, Madison Callis, Eric Cloud, Shannon Dover, Jamyka Franks, Austin Gibbs, Jessica Ibarra, Hannah Johnson, Kaitlyn King, James Lively, Peyton Peeler, Bobby Stewart, Tatum Tornkvist, David Wood

MEET ANC FOUNDATION CHAIRMAN: PHILLIP DEVER

Meet Mr. Phillip Dever, Chairman of the Arkansas Northeastern College Foundation. A longtime resident of Blytheville, Mr. Dever has been serving the ANC Foundation for the past eight years including the past two as the Chairman of the Board with another year of service in that leadership role.

“Phillip Dever has been such an ardent supporter of Arkansas Northeastern College and we are so fortunate to have him on our foundation board,” said ANC Foundation Executive Director Rachel Gifford, adding that he gives both his time and money to support the College. “Mr. Dever is a busy man, but he understands the importance of what we do, and he believes in giving back to the community. He and his family are true friends of ANC.”

Dever, a certified electrician, has been a part of the Blytheville community for the past 31 years when he and his wife April moved to the area for him to work at Nucor-Yamato Steel in September of 1989. The Devers have made Blytheville their home and have raised three children, Jeremy, Christiana, and Jaymes, who now have their own families living here. Over time, Mr. Dever began his own company and Dever Industrial Maintenance Solutions is hugely successful today with work spanning the region. The family is deeply rooted in the company and all three of the Devers’ children serve on the management team of the company where they all see the importance of skills training for today’s workforce. Jeremy Dever has even taught electricity classes for Arkansas Northeastern College.

It was through a foundation event that the Devers became aware of the many opportunities that ANC has to offer. “April and I started attending the Car Parties in 2007 and quickly realized that ANC and the Foundation were something we wanted to support both financially and of our time because we wanted to be involved in helping support higher education in our community,” said Dever who has been a strong supporter ever since that first event. Because of his belief in the work being done at ANC, the Dever Industrial Maintenance Solutions Company donated \$75,000 to help fund the ANC Center for Allied Technologies. He also helped to promote and fund-raise for the facility because he understood what the facility would mean to the area. Through his work, his donations, and the gifts of many other supportive businesses and individuals, ANC was able to construct a \$14 million, 90,000 square foot facility to house its workforce training arm of the College. It is an amazing facility that provides world-class training and education.

“April and I support the Foundation because its sole purpose is to raise money to help students, such as funding scholarships so that the children and grandchildren of Blytheville and Mississippi County families will have the opportunity to further their education and become a part of the workforce in our local industries and businesses,” added Dever.

After 31 years, Dever plans to slow down as he sees his company in the capable hands of his family, but his work for the ANC Foundation has not ebbed. In fact, he is always thinking of new things to help promote ANC and its foundation.

“If someone isn’t familiar with the opportunities that Arkansas Northeastern College offers its students, I would encourage them to come out to the campus and visit with the staff and tour the facilities. The nursing center and the technologies center offer some of the best learning opportunities in the state,” said Dever.

Mr. Phillip Dever is providing excellent leadership for the ANC Foundation, especially in a time when funding is so important. He recognizes that people are still wanting and needing education and training so that they can better provide for themselves and their families. He reminds everyone that the ANC Foundation is a 501 (c) 3 Charitable organization, so donations to it are tax deductible. “As a supporter of the ANC Foundation, I would encourage anyone who has an interest in becoming involved with the education of future generations of Blytheville and Mississippi County students to become a ‘Friend’ of the Foundation.”



Phillip Dever, ANC Foundation Chairman

ANC Grads Earn MORE!

Students **SPEND LESS** and **EARN MORE** at Arkansas Northeastern College

FIRST YEAR AVERAGE WAGES FOR GRADUATES

ANC 2-YEAR DEGREE vs. **IN-STATE 4-YEAR DEGREES**


\$49,706

- \$44,176 University of Arkansas - Little Rock
- \$44,147 University of Arkansas - Fayetteville
- \$41,060 Arkansas Tech University
- \$38,349 Arkansas State University - Jonesboro
- \$37,351 University of Central Arkansas
- \$32,009 University of Arkansas - Pine Bluff



COMMITTED TO STUDENT SUCCESS & TECHNOLOGY

Because of the increased need for students to have remote access to all aspects of the college, the Arkansas Northeastern College has invested great time and money in developing and implementing new, virtual access opportunities. From testing to tutoring, students and prospective students may access services and classes via teleconferencing and online options. The College has invested in new equipment to enhance the virtual learning experience at ANC and help students feel more engaged. As the world changes, ANC is also changing so that it may meet its students' needs. So, whether you are interested in a traditional classroom experience or if you would feel more comfortable with a virtual learning opportunity, Arkansas Northeastern College can meet your needs.



With your safety and flexibility in mind, ANC offers several different online course delivery methods - INET, ZOOM INET, and ZOOM OPTIONAL.

The on-campus environment has been modified to promote virtual access while maintaining safety. The College's new ZOOM Room provide a comfortable, socially distanced space where students may relax while attending class virtually through ZOOM teleconferencing. All the technology needed to participate in events and/or class at Arkansas Northeastern College is made available to students wishing to access it.



ARKANSAS NORTHEASTERN COLLEGE



CAMPUS TOUR

www.anc.edu/campus-tour

Because students may not be comfortable actually coming to campus at this time, a "Virtual Tour" is now available on the ANC website to provide an overview of the campus and its offerings.



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- ⊗ Must be 18 years or older
- ⊗ Meet the college placement requirements
- ⊗ Must have a high school or previous college 2.7 GPA or possess a GED or evidence of home school completion
- ⊗ Must pass a pre-employment test, physical screening, and drug test
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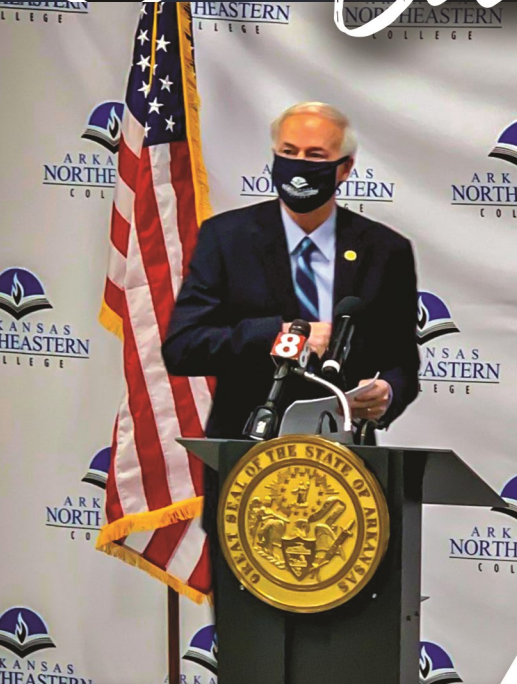
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Stanton Burks, intern at Atlas Tube



★ Campus Visits ★



Governor Asa Hutchinson visited the Arkansas Northeastern College campus on August 19, 2020, to hold one of his daily COVID-19 press conferences. Prior to the conference, Hutchinson met with local legislators, school superintendents, and local elected officials to discuss plans and procedures in managing the pandemic in our area.



United States Senator John Boozman addresses a group at the ANC Center for Allied Technologies regarding workforce development while Delta Regional Authority Co-Chair Chris Caldwell looks on.



STREET LEADS AVIATION MAINTENANCE PROGRAM

Meet ANC Lead Aviation Maintenance Instructor, Mike Street. Street's career in aviation began in 2013 at Midcontinent Aircraft Corporation in Hayti, MO. He enrolled in ANC's Aviation Maintenance program in 2013, and completed the program in 2016 with Highest Honors. Prior to finding his calling in aviation, he held a variety of jobs ranging from casino surveillance to prison guard. He joined the instructional team at ANC in August, and currently teaches and oversees the College's traditional Aviation Maintenance classes, as well as the ANC Technical Center classes for high school students looking to begin their studies in Aviation Maintenance.

Street enjoys his chosen field, and described working as an Aviation Maintenance Instructor at ANC as a "bucket list" item. His experience as a student at ANC is what drives him to grow the program, and to recruit as many students as possible into his classes. He is especially interested in growing the number of non-traditional students in the program, including female students, and emphasizes the fact that skills learned in this program translate into a wide variety of job opportunities.

"A person considering going into Aviation Maintenance should be aware of all the other opportunities that await a licensed Airframe and Powerplant Mechanic besides just direct aircraft maintenance. Students in the Aviation program receive training that is wanted by employers in many different fields due to the nature of the training," Street said. He continued, "Anywhere that precision machines exist and an attention to detail is required, they want an A&P mechanic. This includes elevator companies, cruise ships, amusement parks and industrial maintenance."

“ ANYWHERE THAT PRECISION MACHINES EXIST AND AN ATTENTION TO DETAIL IS REQUIRED, THEY WANT AN A&P MECHANIC. THIS INCLUDES ELEVATOR COMPANIES, CRUISE SHIPS, AMUSEMENT PARKS AND INDUSTRIAL MAINTENANCE. ”

Street also mentions that the program is constantly monitored to improve the student experience while maintaining its adherence to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) guidelines for curriculum. Citing a good mix of classroom and lab/shop work, Street says that the learning process is hands-on, engaging and very conducive to learning. He is proud to be an alumnus of the Aviation Maintenance program, and is proud to be a part of the instructional team at Arkansas Northeastern College.

"I would like to encourage anyone to consider our aviation maintenance program. Our program opens up many opportunities for people other than just your stereotypical 'greasy mechanic,' including inventory and clerical positions. I would like for people who wouldn't normally consider aviation maintenance to take a closer look at the opportunities available to a licensed mechanic."

While Street stays plenty busy teaching aviation repair, he also enjoys practicing his skill set on his race car, as well as spending time with his wife, Christine, and their two daughters, Chloe and Macie. If you drive by campus and see a yellow Dodge Challenger parked in front of the building, Street is in the office and would love to show you around the lab!



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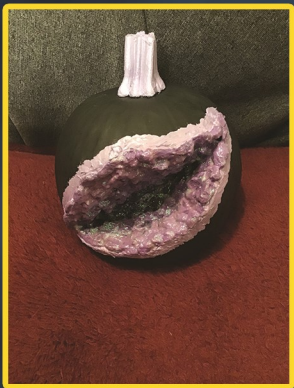


While the start and the duration of the semester was much different than usual, it has turned out to be a **GREAT SEMESTER!**



PUMPKIN DECORATING CONTEST

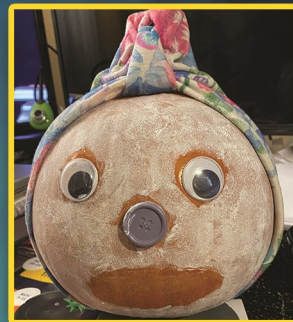
The 2020 ANC Pumpkin Decorating Contest was a success even though it had to play out a bit differently this year. This year's contest was carried out on social media with the number of 'likes' determining the winner. There were 20 entries which was great participation. We appreciate all who submitted entries.



1ST PLACE
BROOKE
NETTLES
Student



2ND PLACE
JAQUANAY
BUFORD
Student



3RD PLACE
EMILY
THOMASSON
Math Instructor



3.5TH ANNUAL STUDENT JURIED ART EXHIBITION



On November 5th, the 3.5th Annual Student Juried Art Exhibition was held at the Adams/Vines Gallery on campus. The show was juried by Associate Professor of Biology, Lance Morris, and curated by Art Instructor Holy Brasher. There were four awards for the student artists. Public's Choice, which was the artwork with the most votes by the public. Dean's Choice, wherein Dean of Communications and Humanities, Ryan Perkins, chose a winner. Then, Juror's Choice as chosen by Lance Morris and Best in Show which reward the Juror's choice of most exemplary in the show.

The winners are as follows: Public's Choice (\$50): Krislyn Hollis, "Kuchisake-Onna", Dean's Choice (\$75): Kaylee Barber, "Untitled (Charcoal Drawing)", Juror's Choice (\$100): Danaja Bird, "Black Beauty", and Best in Show (\$150): Krislyn Hollis, "Kuchisake-Onna." We would like to congratulate all of our participating student artists and our award winners and extend a personal thanks to all the faculty, friends, and family who attended the reception. Thank you for supporting the visual arts at ANC and our wonderful students!



SPARK

ANC officially wrapped up the second edition of SPARK in September by visiting the winners at their respective schools. SPARK is ANC's newest magazine that displays art, writing, and photography from our county schools. This year, ANC worked with Armorel, Blytheville, The Delta School, Gosnell, KIPP, Manila, Osceola, and Rivercrest.

ANC would like to thank the school administrators, art teachers, and writing teachers for helping submit and contribute student work to the magazine. This year there were over 200 entries from the 8 participating schools. After a careful selection process, 140 pieces made the final cut into SPARK.

A total of 40 awards were given out to students for their beautiful work. ANC's mascot, Ray, went to visit each school, announce the winners, and hand out awards. SPARK award winners were given a plaque, magazine, and an ANC gift bag that included a Ray mascot doll.

ANC would like to thank ACE Glass and The Sophisticated Stitch for their help in making the awards for the students. We are very proud of all the students for their contribution to the magazine.

The Editors-in-Chief are Ryan Perkins and Mallory Burnette. The Contributing Editor is Danny Graham.

► [VIEW SPARK MAGAZINE AT WWW.ANC.EDU/SPARK](http://WWW.ANC.EDU/SPARK)



Pictured Above L-R: Tiffany Nettles, Ken Barton, Mary Ann Garren, Courtney Fisher, Lisa McGhee, Bobbi McDaniels, Dr. Blanche Hunt, Dr. Bridget Shemwell, Michelle Bennett, Kaci Bell, Holly Rice, Willie D. Williams, Shannon Dover, and Baudel Areola

ANC ADDRESSES FOOD INSECURITY

The ECMC Foundation announced the launch of its Basic Needs Initiative on November 19, 2019, funding grants for seven entities, including Arkansas Community Colleges (ACC). ACC seeks to scale a Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) outreach model across Arkansas' 22 community colleges. The four pilot colleges involved in the ACC grant are the Arkansas Northeastern College, North Arkansas College, Phillips Community College of the University of Arkansas, and UA-Pulaski Tech. Each college will develop and implement a SNAP outreach plan to address food insecurity among students by operating a campus food pantry and/or partnering with external providers to provide access to meals, as well as encouraging qualifying students with food insecurity needs to apply for SNAP benefits.

In January 2020, ACC signed the Memorandum of Understanding with the four pilot colleges. Arkansas Northeastern College received a total of \$30,000 per year over two years as part of the ECMC Foundation grant. ANC is spending the bulk of the grant funds on meal stipends through its on-campus Sunshine Grille, along with supplementing the College's inventory of non-perishable food items already used to provide emergency nourishment for under-resourced students, including homeless students. The Community Relations division is leading the project for the Arkansas Northeastern College.

To successfully guide the food pantry initiative launching and implementation, Dr. Blanche Hunt, Vice President for Community Relations, created an Advisory Council consisting of the following individuals: Dr. Bridget Shemwell, Pauline Linam-Parks, Courtney Fisher, Kaci Bell, Michelle Bennett, Tonya Harris, Lisa McGhee, Willie D. Williams, Daryl Young, Holly Rice, and Tiffany Nettles. Bobbi McDaniels, SNAP Outreach Advocate for Arkansas Hunger Relief Alliance, was the guest speaker for the first meeting of the Food Pantry Advising Council.



Dr. Blanche Hunt, ANC Vice President for Community Relations



Guest Speaker Bobbi McDaniels, SNAP Outreach Advocate for Arkansas Hunger Relief Alliance



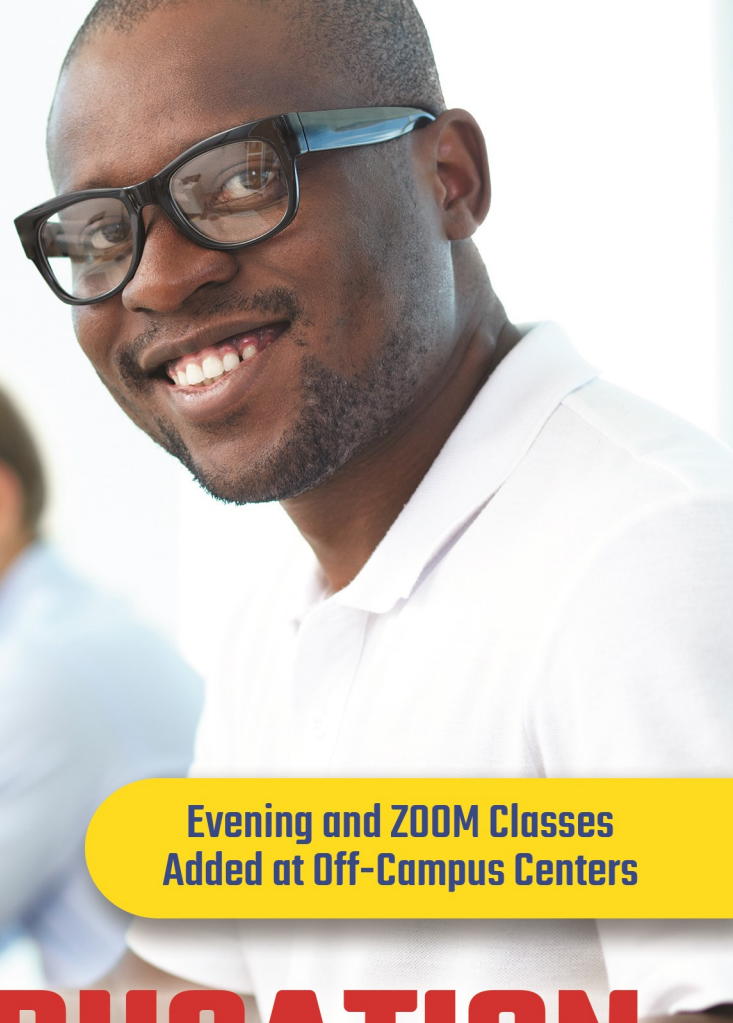
HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

ANC Community Relations hosted an event to celebrate, recognize, and honor Hispanic Americans during National Hispanic Heritage Month. The celebration was held in the Governors Ballroom on October 8, 2020, as a drop-in for students, staff, and the community to view cultural displays and books honoring Hispanic Americans' contributions to American society. The Mexican Consul, Rodolfo Quilantan Arenas, from Little Rock was featured in a video sharing inspirational words to commemorate the celebration.





Arkansas Division of
Workforce Services
Adult Education



**Evening and ZOOM Classes
Added at Off-Campus Centers**

ANC ADULT EDUCATION

ANC's Adult Education is free and open to any Arkansas resident 18 years of age and older who has not graduated from high school. Admission is different for individuals under 18, but the opportunity remains as long as the appropriate steps are followed. GED classes are the beginning of many educational opportunities that ANC has to offer. Adult Education students may qualify for the Career Jump-Start Scholarship, which will allow those accepted to take college courses while working on their GED. Students work with the Adult Education Department to determine eligibility.

ANC's Adult Education now offers evening GED classes at the Osceola and Leachville Centers. Evening classes will function similar to the daytime classes, which deliver personalized instruction at all three campus locations.

Internet classes and the newly added ZOOM classes also allow students to seek a virtual learning opportunity from home. Students can sign up for either a live class or a virtual class, but if life circumstances change, there is the freedom to switch to another class option. This flexibility helps students to complete goals without delay. Taking advantage of on-campus, virtual, or ZOOM classes at the same time is also available. ANC GED classes incorporate computer literacy, employability skills, financial literacy, and other life improvement skills.

If transportation is an issue, the ANC Opportunity Bus proves transportation for Osceola and Blytheville classes.

Blytheville Adult Education
Call 870-780-1278 ext. 1939

Monday 8am-4pm
Tuesday 8am-4pm
Wednesday 8am-11am

Osceola Adult Education
Call 870-563-3236

Tuesday 9am-3pm, 5pm-8pm
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RENEWS FIRST AID AND CPR CARDS

Solutions Group instructors Steve Crosskno and Tamatha Dudley conducted an American Heart Association First Aid CPR & AED class for 24 Primetals employees on September 30th, 2020. This training was partially funded by Great River Economic Development Foundation. Training took place at Arkansas Northeastern College's Center for Allied Technologies. Thank you to Primetals, instructors, and Great River Economic Development Foundation for your continued support in training Mississippi County's workforce!



THIRTY BIG RIVER STEEL EMPLOYEES TRAINED

ANC Solutions Group, Big River Steel, and Tristate partnered to train approximately 30 Big River Steel employees Safety Distributed Engineering with Siemens PLC trainers and S7 engineering in July and August 2020. Training took place at the ANC Osceola Campus. This training was 100% reimbursed to Big River Steel by the Office of Skills Development and Great River Economic Development Foundation. After successful completion of the 80 hours, the electrical employees at Big River Steel were able to take their hands-on training experience and certification to utilize it at the company. Thank you Sean White, BRS Crane/Mobile Maintenance Supervisor for being the point of contact for ANC Solutions Group.





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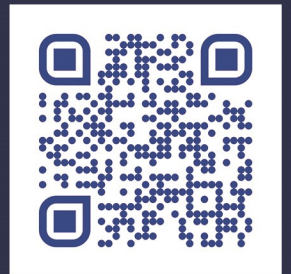
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