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# Fall 2018 Academic Calendar ANC Fall Schedule of Classes is available for viewing online only at www.anc.edu/schedule

August 15	rall Registration Closes
August 20	Classes Begin
August 24	Payment Deadline/Last Day to Declare Audit Statu
August 31	Last Day to Drop with 100% Refund
September 3	Labor Day (COLLEGE CLOSED)
October 29	Spring 2019 Registration Opens
November 16	Last Day to Withdraw from Class with a "W"
November 21-23	Thanksgiving Break (Students)
November 22-23	Thanksgiving Break (COLLEGE CLOSED)
December 4	Last Day of Classes (Tuesday/Thursday)
December 5	Last Day of Classes (Monday/Wednesday)
December 6,10-12	FINAL EXAMS



Doug Dunworth, President & CEO of SMS group's U.S. operations met with Arkansas Northeastern College President Dr. James Shemwell and his staff to finalize an agreement creating the Arkansas Steelmaking Academy (ASA). The partnership announcement was made during a visit to ANC by Arkansas Governor Asa Hutchinson.

The SMS group is a leading partner in the world of metals. As a family-owned business headquartered in Germany, quality and innovation are staples of its work in the development of individual and modular solutions—whether it is the design of a new plant, modernization, digitalization, or life cycle services. SMS's largest market is steel production. The company provides world-class new equipment and actively supports operations and maintenance, devising solutions throughout the process from melting and casting to rolling and finishing. With SMS equipment servicing clients such as Nucor-Yamato Steel, Nucor Steel Arkansas, Big River Steel, Tenaris, and TMK-IPSCO locally as well as many other manufacturers across the country, it made sense for the company to consider a proposal by ANC to offer North American-based training centrally located in Arkansas.

"Heretofore, the state-of-the-art steel technology training offered through the SMS TECademy has only been available in Germany," said Shemwell. "By partnering with SMS, the Arkansas Northeastern College can become a satellite training hub for North America as a cost effective way to gain knowledge of cutting edge techniques in steelmaking and processing." The agreement between the College and SMS group will allow companies to save the costs of overseas airfare by providing an option without the need to send employees to Germany for training.

Dunworth echoes Dr. Shemwell's sentiments, "We are both pleased and excited about this partnership between ANC and SMS group. Not only will this help our customer base in North America but the ASA can be a launching point in training the future generations of steelworkers with knowledge in the latest technology in steelmaking and processing."

Arkansas Northeastern College is currently one of very few colleges in the nation offering Steel Industry Technology programs and the only one in the state. Shemwell noted, "We were proud to have Governor Hutchinson, a champion for economic development in Arkansas, present for the unveiling of ASA. The agreement with out SMS colleagues announced today will advance ANC's capacity as providers of steel technology training to the next level, a global level."





(L-R) Pacey Bowens, Dr. Blanche Hunt, Willie Williams, Kiesha McGaughy, and Stacey Clark

Several members of the Arkansas Northeastern College family participated in the community-wide 2018 Mississippi County Juneteenth Celebration held in Blytheville, AR on June 14-16, 2018. Juneteenth is an American holiday that commemorates the emancipation of enslaved African Americans.



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The ANC Office of Community Relations has held a series of "Fun Days" in Blytheville and the surrounding communities. These events are held as a grassroots effort to recruit students and promote the educational opportunities available to everyone through Arkansas Northeastern College. Local citizens and churches helped sponsor these events by allowing ANC to bring the "fun" and information out into the communities.

Those in attendance received good food and wonderful prizes were also donated. One of the favorite aspects to the events were the free haircuts provided by local barbers. Fun Day events were held at the following:

Word of Truth Global Ministries - Blytheville, AR Charles Strong Recreation Center - Luxora, AR Living Word Cathedral COGIC - Osceola, AR New Mt. Pleasant Christian Worship Center - Osceola, AR

Thank you to all the community volunteers and supporters who helped make these events possible!





Over 250 people attended Arkansas Northeastern College's Bright Futures Event on April 14, 2018. Various events took place throughout the day such as: ANC's Adult Education Graduation, the Nucor Diploma² annual meeting, and recognition of the 2018 ANC Trimue Scholarship recipients. In addition to these events, ANC information booths were set up in the ANC Sun Room. The Briggs/Sebaugh Wellness Center housed games and activities and the band, Loose Change, performed. All who attended were treated to a BBQ lunch prepared by King's Backyard BBQ. Thanks to all who were able to attend and help us celebrate the successes of our students and to show all of the amazing opportunities offered at ANC.





# Nucor Yamato & Nucor Steel Employees Complete Customized EMT Course



Several employees of Nucor Yamato and Nucor Steel recently received Emergency Medical Training through the Solutions Group. This customized training, taught by Donna Razer, Mark Razer and Francis Lewis, certified nine participating employees to become first responders at their respective plants. After successfully completing the training, individuals received First Aid and CPR cards as well as earning the Certificate of Proficiency in Emergency Medical Technician. They now have the opportunity to take the national EMT Exam.

As part of the training, employees completed the required 48 clinical hours in an Emergency Department and 24 hours ambulance time. Instructor Donna Razer commented, "We were very impressed with their interest and motivation to do the best they can. It was a pleasure to teach this class."

The Arkansas Department of Career Education sponsored 75% of the total cost for the Certificate of Proficiency EMT, and the remaining 25% was paid for by the Great River Economic Development Foundation.

## ANC Solutions Group Customized Training for Precoat Metals

The Solutions Group was happy to customize training for a new company! Starting in February and ending in April, Precoat Metals, through a grant from the Great River Development Foundation and Office of Skills Development, received training from The Solutions Group in Electrical Fundamentals and Mechanical Fundamentals. Employees were offered 48 hours of customized training in the following areas: electrical drawings and diagrams, Ohm's Law, troubleshooting, thermocouples, analog signals, AC fundamentals, transformer fundamentals, DC motors, handheld tools and safety, mechanical drives and bearings, and pumps and hydraulics.



### Olympus Technology Day

ANC students in welding, office technology, steel industry technology, and advanced manufacturing programs participated in a Technology Day provided by the Olympus Company. The event served as a sales seminar for industry and a demonstration for students. Welding students brought samples of their welding for the Olympus representatives to demonstrate how the equipment is used, about the different pieces of equipment, an how the equipment is used in industry. Approximately 35 individuals attended the event.



Three Arkansas Northeastern College employees were recognized at commencement for outstanding service to the institution. Dr. Gary Yarbrough was awarded the Outstanding Instructor distinction for ANC.

Dr. Yarbrough, Associate Professor of Psychology, has been highly engaged in efforts to increase student success. His efforts have led to tangible increases in student success that have been presented at the national level. Additionally, Dr. Yarbrough is actively engaged in the experimental analysis of behavior and has made scholarly contributions to the field of psychology. In his teaching, he helps students to understand the relationship between the science of psychology and their everyday lives.

This year, there were two recipients of the Eugenia C. Hale Distinguished Service Award: Melissa Arledge and Catalina Turner.

As Lead Career Coach, Melissa Arledge worked tirelessly in area high schools to help build ANC's Early College Program. She has built a close network with industry partners through development of job shadowing for high school students and by asking experts to serve as guest speakers in the classroom. She has played a crucial role in the implementation of the Nucor Diploma<sup>2</sup> Scholarship Program for area high school students. Melissa is willing to put in extra time to make sure students get everything they need.

Catalina Turner is an Institutional Services Assistant assigned to the John P. Sullins Administration Building on ANC's Main Campus. She works quietly to accomplish her daily tasks and is always there to provide help when needed. In addition to cleaning, Catalina does other things like watering plants, or leaving little "thank you" gifts on employees' desks. She is always smiling and truly exemplifies what it means to care about those with whom she works.



#### **ANC Holds Its 5th Annual Best Practices Symposium**

The 5th Annual Arkansas Northeastern College Best Practices Symposium was held on April 27, 2018, where ANC employees gathered to celebrate a successful year by sharing new collaborations and best practices used throughout the College. The event featured many sessions for employees to learn from one another about practices that are working to improve student success, improve college services, and learn more about the College and its offerings. Included was a brainstorming session with the ANC President. Lunch was provided with an awards ceremony taking place at the Courtyard Amphitheatre. A total of 11 projects (4 Advancement by Collaboration (ABC) Awards and 7 Best Practices Merit (BPM) Awards) were highlighted. ANC Trustees Randy Scott and Clif Chitwood assisted in the award presentations. Celebrating best practices and milestone achievements not only provides an opportunity for positive reflection upon the accomplishments and motivation for future innovation, it also aids the vital process of providing evidence for ongoing accreditation efforts, while promoting a focus on student success.



## ANC HOSTS CTE COMPLETERS EVENT

The Annual Career & Technical Education Completer Event was held on Friday, April 21, 2018. The purpose of this event is to recognize students who have accomplished the Arkansas Department of Career Education's guidelines for becoming a completer in a Career & Technical Education Program of Study. There were 269 completers in attendance from the Armorel, Blytheville, East Poinsett County, Gosnell, Manila, Osceola, and Rivercrest school districts, and each student had completed at least 3 units of credit in a Career & Technical field. Additionally, over 100 students obtained industry certifications in their chosen field of study. Students heard from keynote speaker Brooks Harper, author of "Why Should We Hire You?" and "7 Skills to Make Mill\$," then toured the ANC campus and interacted with faculty and staff.







CAREERF







Over 400 people attended Arkansas Northeastern College's 13th Annual Career Fair. Eighty employers participated in this year's Career Fair. Those employers represented private industries and businesses, state and local government, military, healthcare providers, and more. Thank you to all who participated and all who helped to make this event so successful.

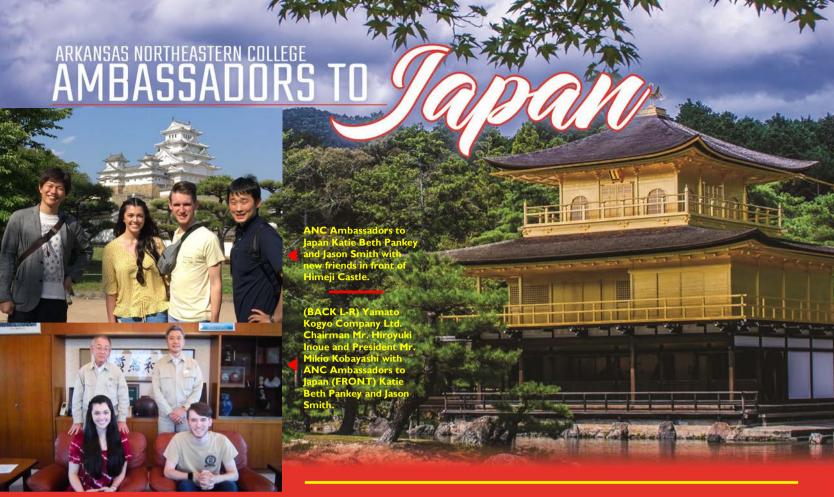


Local area high schools visited the Arkansas Northeastern College main and secondary center campuses to compete in the Tomorrow's Outstanding Professionals Skills (TOPS) Challenge on February 2, 2018.

CHALLENGE

Approximately 200 high school students from 15 local Mississippi County, Arkansas and Missouri Bootheel high schools competed. First place winners in each competition won a one-year scholarship to Arkansas Northeastern College to cover in-county tuition and mandatory fees. Congratulations everyone!

The competitions included: Accounting, Business English, Computer Applications: Excel, Computer Applications: PowerPoint, Computer Applications: Word, Impromptu Speaking, Medical Professions Quiz Bowl, Public Speaking, Criminal Justice: Crime Scene Investigation, Criminal Justice: Felony Traffic Stop, Early Childhood Development: Bulletin Board, Early Childhood Development: Hands-On Activity, Mechatronics, Job Interview, Plate Cutting, SMAW Welding, Welding Plate Cutting, and Combination Welding.



"It was an amazing trip," said Katie Beth Pankey after her return from 14 days of traveling and visting the beautiful country of Japan. As one of this year's ANC Ambassadors to Japan, Pankey of Blytheville joined Jason Smith of Osceola, on the trip sponsored by the Yamato Kogyo Company, Ltd. and the ANC Foundation.

Smith echoed Pankey's enthusiasm about the trip. "Words can't really describe how wonderful it was, and I am very thankful for the opportunity to go. We saw some amazing temples, ate some amazing food and made amazing new friends."

This marks the 23rd year for the ANC Ambassadors to Japan program, which was created by Mr. Hiroyuki Inoue, Chairman of the Yamato Kogyo Company, Ltd. This trip provides an opportunity for ANC students to travel to Japan for a two-week stay to learn about that country and bring that knowledge back to share with the people of this area. The trip is totally paid for by the Yamato Kogyo Company, Ltd. with the ANC Foundation paying the airfare.

Pankey and Smith spent time in Japanese hotels and the homes of Yamato Kogyo employees—which both said was one of the best parts of the trip. "I absolutely loved my host family, they were so kind and welcoming," said Pankey who added, "This trip was such a wonderful learning experience for me...so much more than what you read about or see on TV, actually being in Japan to experience the country is something I will always cherish."

While in Japan, the students were able to visit Himeji City, Kyoto, Hiroshima, Miyajima, Tokyo and more. From the bullet train to the subway and ferry boats to buses, the students were able to experience so many differenet aspects of the country by every transportation means available. They toured temples, shrines, and beautiful gardens, and they even visited an elementary school. While in Tokyo they were treated to a day at Disney Sea.

Both Pankey and Smith expressed their appreciation to the Yamato Kogyo Company, Ltd. For its support of this program and for the wonderful hospitality, they received while in Japan. Both students made wonderful new friends in Japan and were very happy to have had the opportunity to represent ANC abroad.



## WAYNE & BETTY WORKMAN EARTH DAY ESSAY CONTEST



## Foundation Scholarship Recipients

SCHOLARSHIPS SPRING 2018: Cohen Scholarship: Alexandra Richardson; Col. J.M. Crane Memorial Scholarship: Taylor Leal, Alexander Privett; Dr. Eldon Fairley and Dr. John Williams Scholarship: Ashley Johnson; General ANC Foundation Scholarship: Megan Key; Great River Promise: Ally Ainsworth, Elizabeth Bell, Austin Bloom, Kevin Bortis, Justin Bratton, Kailib Brooks, Baylea Challis, Adam Cobb, Amber Gonzalez, George Herriman, Destiny Johnson, Karlie Long, Michael Matheny, Jerry McKaskle, Tessa Pannells, Tydarius Pope, Lexie Ray, Chantelese Real, Seth Rounsavall, Keyandre Sanders, Travis Smith, David Thomas, Tucker Thompson, Cory Turner, Beau Alexander Weeks, Stephen Wilbanks; Hoskins-Whitener Scholarship: Preston Powers, Jacob Riley; Hospital Gift Shoppe Auxiliary Scholarship: Alexandra Richardson; Nucor Diploma' Scholarship: Johnna Berryhill, Thomas Bowers, LaNasia Buchanan, Roriana Burgess, Landon Burrow, Emily Davis, Sierra Elliott, Taylor Gilmer, Mika Gonzalez, William Gonzalez, Elizabeth Gray, Jaden Henderson, Greenly Hill, Madeline Hixson, Alexander Holifield, Jackson Howard, Micha Jackson, Brandon Johnson, Nathan Jones, Abigail Kennedy, Sarah Koonce, Kamryn Lancaster, James Lawrence, Ryan Long, Chelsea Martin, Amber McClurg, Austin Middleton, Sarah Millikan, Dominique Moody, Garrett Moore, Keyonce Morris, Kadasia Mosley, Grace Nelson, Courtney Pannell, Ethan Poag, James Prater, Elizabeth Roach, Kyle Robinson, Jariq Scales, Jeremy Seals, Alexis Smith, Chandler Sprouse, Kilyah Stevenson, Abigail Sullivan, Jacob Swanson, Abbi Tate, Diamond Thomas, Bailey Weber, Zachary White, Anna Whitfield, Mallory Williams; Harold and Bruce Ohlendorf Scholarship: Katrina Burton; Pay It Forward: Patrick Byrd; Savannah Paige Pollock Memorial Scholarship: Summer Neal; Temple Israel Scholarship: Isaac Flores-Torres, Casey Glass, Alexander Privett, Micah Williams; George Moore and Nancy McCauley Trimue Scholarship: Amanda Adkison, Suntavius Allan, Jessica Baugh, Alison Beal, Alvin Bell, Elizabeth Bell, Delicia Blankenship, Austin Bloom, Morgan Booth, Caroline Brooks, Paul Brown, Candace Bryan, Tyesha Byrd, Amber Capaul, Taylor Carmichael, Charneika Chambers, Shuniece Chapman, Natasha Childers, Lakoria Chunn, Brandy Clayton, David Cole, Tara Day, Constance Debose, Jaime DeLine, Brianna Dunham, Canandria Echols, Dena Estell, Larry Finley, Jamesha Floyd, Kandise Ford, David Alan Garner III, Madison Gomer, Lakesha Harris, Jessica Havis, Jessie Herron, Caitlin Holt, Juanita Hopkins, Marshala Hughes, Rokosi Ta'Shaun Humphrey, Natoshia Jewell, Jacob Johnson, Lacy Johnson, Arnesha Jones, Nicole Juarez, Tonda Keys, Kelly Leader, Taylor Leal, Mary Lewis, Ariel Logan, Karlie Long, Alyssa Martinez, Wendi Massey, Jerry McKaskle, Greneshia McKillion, Andrea Meyer, Morgan Middleton, Alexis Mitchell, Debbie Payne, Deloris Prince, Sandra Pugh, Kayla Ray, Lexie Ray, Samantha Reams, Tailynn Richmond, Regas Ringo, Cody Robinson, Jakeya Robinson, Savannah Rzeznikiewicz, Keyandre Sanders, Andrew Scott, Rachell Shempert, Haley Simmons, Jason Smith, Nakayla Smith, Travis Smith, Hannah McCray Snyder, Tristan Spriggs, Kimberly Stewart, Charsalyn Stokes, Allison Stovall, Cassandra Talley, Drucella Talley, Blaine Tedder, Glen Teeter-Haynes, David Thomas, Tucker Thompson, Winston Thompson, Cory Turner, Marc Vernon, Miracle Walker, Stephanie Walker, Reshun Wiggins, Emily Williams; Yamato Kogyo Scholarship: Isaac Flores-Torres, Casey Glass, Ashley Johnson, Summer Neal, Jacob Riley,

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The launch of the 2018 edition of *Energy* was held along with a reception in the ANC Library on Thursday, April 16, 2018. *Energy* is a yearly online publication that is composed of creative writings, photography, and artwork by Arkansas Northeastern College students. To view this year's and past editions of the publication, visit:





Autumn Bennett with her work "Only Skin Deep" which was selected as Public's Choice and Best in Show



Hunter Carey with his work "All the Leaves are Brown" which Took home the Juror's Choice.

The First Annual ANC Student Juried Exhibition was held along with a reception in the Adams/Vines Gallery on April 26, 2018. The juried exhibition was a showing of submitted student artworks that were selected by our juror, Dean Deanita Hicks, and prepared for display by art instructor Holt Brasher. Dean Hicks made her choice of selections for the awards of Best in Show and Juror's Choice. The public was able to vote for their own "Public's Choice" award.











# For the Pove of Music

#### SPRING CHORAL CONCERT

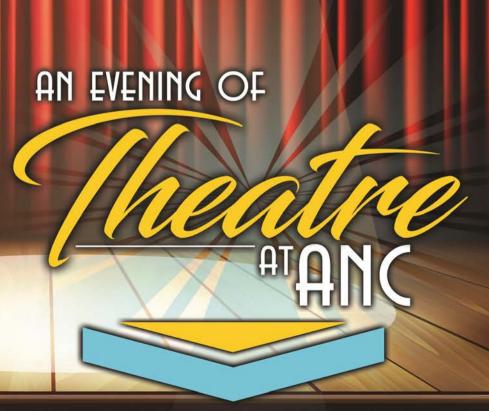
The ANC Division of Arts & Sciences presented two 'For the Love of Music' concert performances on May 3rd and May 6th in the Adams/Vines Recital Hall. This concert featured the ANC Chamber Choir and the ANC Community Choir under the direction of Gianluca Strazzullo and the accompaniment of Zixiao Ye.

The ANC Division of Arts & Sciences presented the 'For the Love of Music' ANC Community Band Spring Concert on April 29th in the Adams/Vines Recital Hall under the direction of Bobby Coyle.



#### COMMUNITY BAND SPRING CONCERT





The Arkansas Northeastern College Division of Arts & Sciences presented 'An Evening of Theatre at ANC' April 29-21, 2018, in the Adams/Vines Recital Hall on ANC's main campus. This event was free and open to the public and featured singing, dancing, drama, comedy, and poetry.

#### A BLACK HISTORY MONTH EVENT



**GUEST SPEAKER** 

## **Bob Kendrick**

PRESIDENT OF THE NEGRO LEAGUES BASEBALL MUSEUM KANSAS CITY, MO

Arkansas Northeastern College hosted a Black History Month event on February 26, 2018, in the Adams/Vines Recital Hall located on the main campus. The guest speaker was Mr. Bob Kendrick, President of the Negro Leagues Baseball Museum in Kansas City, MO. Performances and artwork were presented and on display by the ANC Chorale, Blytheville Elementary, KIPP Blytheville, and O.C. Shivers Girls & Junior Achiever Boys Club.



**COMMUNITY RELATIONS** 

The ANC Community Fashion Show was held in the Sunshine Grille on March 28, 2018. The purpose of the Fashion Show was to promote the ANC Career Fair. Students were given tips on how to dress for success and to inform them that the Community Relations Career Closet, located in the L Building, provides interview attire to ANC students needing assistance preparing for job interviews. Mr. Darrel Carr and Willie Williams worked with ANC students to present the Fashion Show. ANC staff and students who modeled were Kiesha McGaughy, Willie Williams, Katie Beth Pankey, Savannah Winford, Dazja Williams, Keyiona Henry, Keinirah Robinson, Claudia Ramirez, Isiah Klein, Chase Farrish, Cole Hardy and Palmer Winchester. Hardy, and Palmer Winchester.



# CENTER FOR ALLIED TECHNOLOGIES GRAND SPENING COMING SOON

Arkansas Northeastern College's new Center for Allied Technologies will officially open its doors at its Grand Opening on Friday, August 17, 2018, just in time for the start of classes for the Fall Semester.

The new building will actually decrease the College's overall facilities by 30,000 square feet by consolidating the Burdette Center, Harry L. Crisp Center, and the ACME Center—with an estimated costs savings for the College of approximately \$100,000 per year in maintenance. This high-tech facility will feature a headquarters for the College's customized training force—The Solutions Group, including general purpose classrooms, electrical classroom & lab, mechanical classroom/lab, safety classroom/lab, HVAC classroom & lab, computer classroom, and large multi-purpose room. Additionally, a world-class welding laboratory will be available for students. Secondary Center students from area high schools will also be served on the ANC Main Campus by classroom & lab facilities for aviation maintenance, construction, criminal justice, health science technology, industrial technologies, and welding. The design incorporates a computer lab for the Secondary Center. Also featured in the Center for Allied Technologies is an aircraft complex/lab, combination non-destructive testing (NDT) & composites laboratory, and general purpose classrooms to fully accommodate Arkansas Northeastern College's Federal Aviation Administration—certified Aviation Maintenance Program.

Additionally, the new Arkansas Steelmaking Academy will be housed in the new center. By utilizing the new facility, the ASA will be located in a world-class complex featuring technologically-equipped seminar classrooms and hands-on training laboratories for steel technology. ASA offerings are anticipated to begin in 2019.

Arkansas Northeastern College is currently one of very few colleges offering Steel Industry Technology programs in the nation and the only one in the state of Arkansas.





#### **Center for Allied Technologies Receives Worldwide Support!**

Center for Allied Technologies Donors
ANC Foundation - \$575,000
Aviation Complex & Welding Lab

Nucor Steel Arkansas/Nucor-Yamato Steel \$250,000 Community Room, Safety Classroom & Lab, Welding Classroom I & 2

**DENSO - \$150,000** Computer Lab/Library & Manufacturing Lab

Tenaris \$150,000 Mechanical Lab, Non-Destructive Testing Lab, Conference Room

D&L, Inc. \$100,000 HVAC Lab & Harold Newcomb HVAC Classroom

SMS group \$100,000 Arkansas Steelmaking Academy

**Dever Industrial Maintenance Solutions** \$75,000 Electrical Lab

**KEG Construction** \$30,000 Bus Port

Construction Network, Inc. \$25,000 Aviation Classroom

**KAGOME Foods, Inc.** \$25,000 Computer Classroom

John & Sue Logan \$25,000 Logan Memorial Courtyard

Mississippi County Electric Cooperative, Inc. \$25,000 General Classroom

John Newcomb \$25,000 John & Guy Newcomb International Flag Court

Osceola Municipal Light & Power \$25,000 Electrical Classroom

Rick & Trev Ramsdell \$25,000 Ramsdell Family Student Lounge

Zekelman Industries/Atlas Tube \$25,000 Construction Classroom

#### Big River Steel Leads Fundraising Effort for John Correnti Entrance Garden

Arkansas Northeastern College, through its Solutions Group, designed and delivered a comprehensive, customized training plan to assist Big River Steel throughout its first phase of construction, hiring and start-up. Because of the partnership formed during this important and lengthy process, Big River has shown its appreciation and support by leading a fundraising effort for the ANC Center for Allied Technologies.

In September, Big River Steel Chief Executive Officer David Stickler wrote to the Arkansas Department of Higher Education touting ANC's training and services. "Over 50% of our employees graduated from Arkansas Northeastern College or have participated in pre-hire or post-hire training offered by Arkansas Northeastern College. In short, we have a great ongoing relation with the educators at Arkansas Northeastern College," said Stickler.

Big River Steel has garnered \$175,000 in collective donations to the Center for Allied Technologies project. Participating donors include: Big River Steel, Eutaw Construction Company, Inc., Cache Valley Electric, Jim & Carol Laub Family Foundation, Thompson Construction Group, Associated Brigham Contractors, Inc., Lexicon Management Group, Inc., Consolidated Electrical Distributors, Inc., and CV Engineering. In addition to the naming several classroom and laboratory amenities, the naming of an entrance garden in memory of the late John D. Correnti, who was the founding chief executive officer of Big River Steel, will recognize their generous assistance.

"Mr. Correnti was a long-time supporter of the Arkansas Northeastern College and was a member of the ANC Foundation Honorary Board of Governors. Having the Entrance Garden to our new Center for Allied Technologies named in his honor is a fitting tribute to Mississippi County's Man of Steel," said ANC President Dr. James Shemwell.



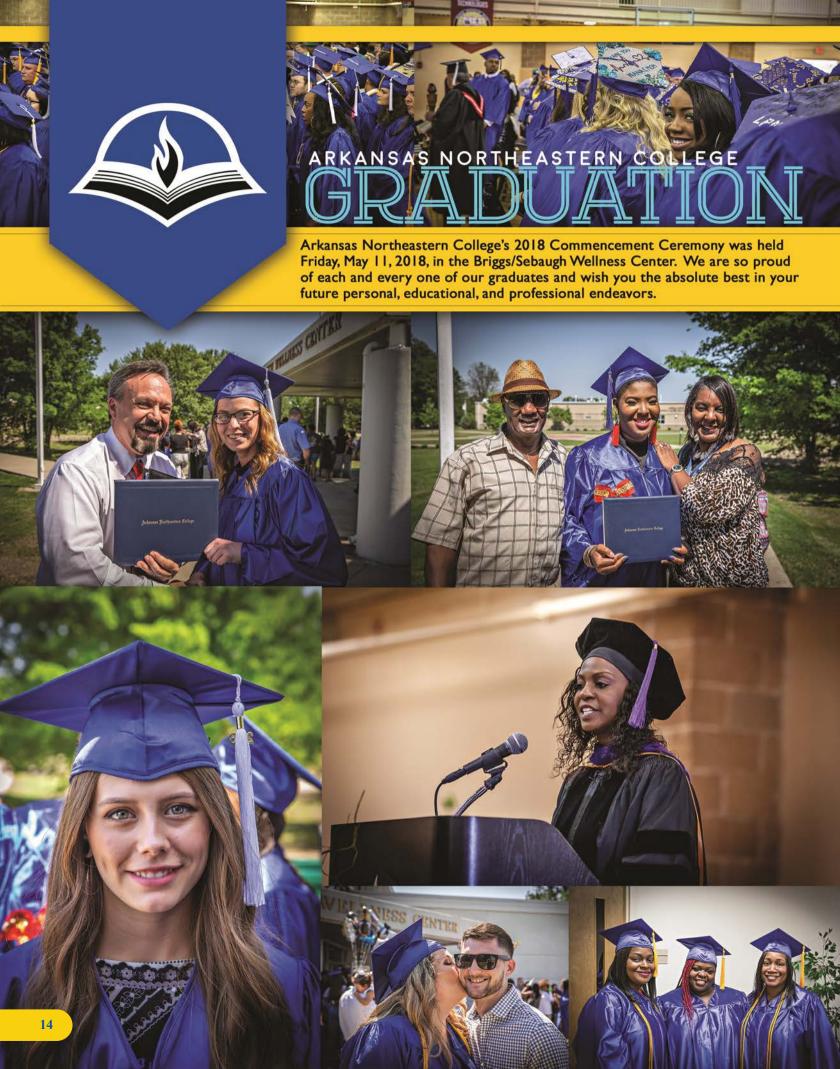
John D. Correnti

#### \$175,000 Collective Donations

General Classroom \$25,000
Big River Steel
General Classroom \$25,000
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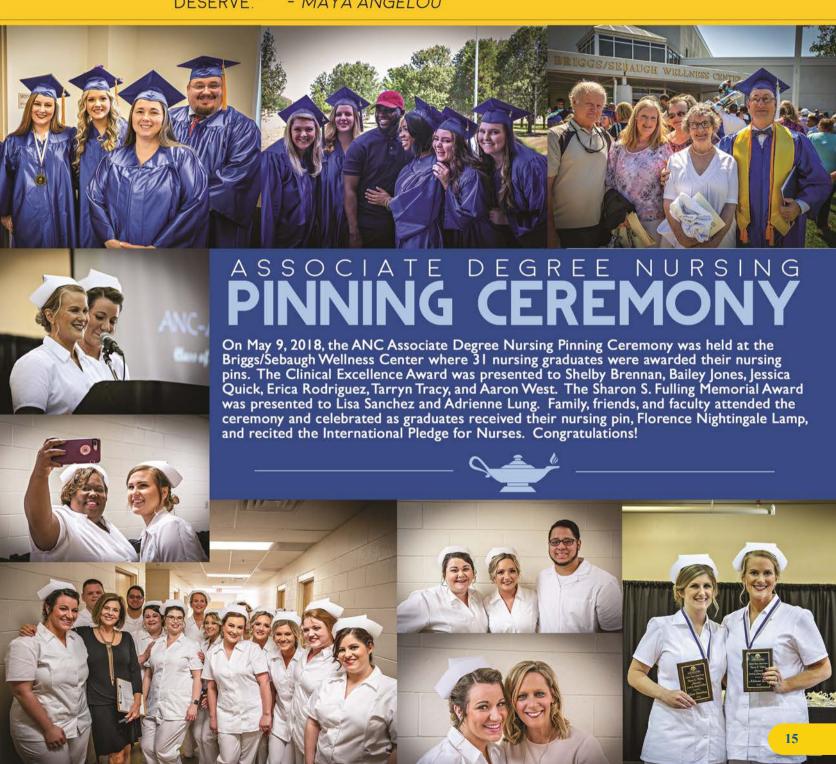
Construction Lab \$75,000
Cache Valley Electric
Jim & Carol Laub Family Foundation
Thompson Construction Group

Medical Professions Classroom/Lab \$50,000
Associated Brigham Contractors, Inc.
Lexicon Management Group, Inc.
Consolidated Electrical Distributors, Inc.
CV Engineering

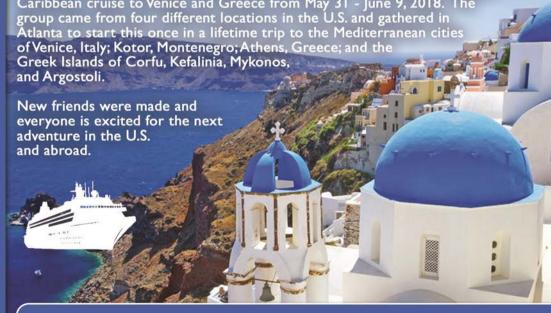




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## Bennett, Arledge Lead Early College Initiative

With the addition of the Early College Scholarship, and the Nucor Diploma<sup>2</sup> Scholarship (designed to assist current secondary students to earn their first year of college by the time they graduate high school), Arkansas Northeastern College's Early College Program has continued to grow and flourish. Approximately 300 students took advantage of ANC's Early College Program last year either through the ANC Secondary Technical Center and/or through online concurrent credit classes offered through local high schools. Because of its growth and impact, ANC recognized the need to identify two positions solely responsible for the management of the Early College Program.

Michelle Bennett has been named the Director of the ANC Technical Center. Bennett began her career at ANC as an Instructional Specialist in August 2014. After teaching online Career Readiness for a year in four different school districts, she moved into the role of Assistant Director of the Technical Center in July 2015. During that time, the Technical Center focused on developing students into young professionals through consistently high expectations and positive reinforcement. Enrollment grew 38% from 179 students in 2015 to 247 students in the fall of 2017.

As Director, Bennett will focus on increasing student enrollment through a more involved partnership with instructors. She believes that a positive classroom experience directly drives student recruitment and retention and plans to spend a significant amount of time ensuring that the Tech Center is offering exciting, challenging curriculum and professional instruction.

Bennett enjoys her work with high school students and is excited about what ANC can offer them. "We play an important role in helping high school students discover what they want in a career pathway, and also in giving them the tools to make the most of their education. Watching a student overcome various academic or personal obstacles throughout the school year and eventually commit to a career opportunity or enroll at ANC is absolutely the best part of my job."

Bennett also offers some advice to prospective students and their parents. "Don't buy into the myth that community college is a lesser option than anything else. ANC offers a wide variety of exciting educational opportunities, and offers multiple resources to help our students succeed. Many of our degree options are nationally ranked, and our graduates are going to work in high-demand, high-paying career fields. Don't ever be afraid to ask an ANC employee for information. Learn what resources and opportunities are available for you, and make the most of them!"

Melissa Arledge, who has served as a Career Coach since 2012, has been named the Coordinator of Early College at ANC. As a Career Coach, Arledge's served primarily the Blytheville and Osceola school districts, and she also served as Lead Career Coach from July 2015 until taking this new role.

As the Coordinator of Early College, Arledge will be working with high school students in Mississippi, Craighead, and Greene County in Arkansas and Pemiscot, Dunklin, and New Madrid County in Missouri to provide dual and concurrent credit opportunities. She will also work closely with ANC faculty and staff to ensure that our high school students have the best experience possible with the Early College Program.



Michelle Bennett



Melissa Arledge

"My favorite part of my job is, after working with a student for a while is seeing them be successful in courses they might have been previously nervous about taking. It is so rewarding to watch students flourish as they overcome new obstacles and challenges," said Arledge.

Her advice for students and parents is, "Don't be afraid to ask questions. We know that many times taking dual or concurrent credit college courses are a high school student's first experience with college and can be somewhat intimidating, but it shouldn't have to be! We are always happy to help our students work through these things and are here to help them be successful."



Iernal Woods

## ANC Graduate Hired by TRIO JERNAL WOODS: A CAREER PATHWAYS SUCCESS STORY

Meet the friendly face of Jernal Woods, the new Administrative Assistant for TRiO at Arkansas Northeastern College. Ms. Woods graduated from ANC in May 2018 when she received two certifications—a Technical Certificate in Administrative Support and an Associate's Degree in Office Management. She admits she had always wanted to earn her degree and had started in 199, but she said she was "young and dumb" and had to drop out. After being laid off from a local manufacturing company, she had the opportunity to return to school.

She said, "Being a single parent and attending college can be very challenging at times. I needed some extra help especially with gas in order to get back and forth to my classes." She decided to enroll in a program called Career Pathways. This program provided her with many great opportunities. Through Career Pathways, Ms. Woods received career advising, gas vouchers and job skills training on Job Lingo, a work readiness program utilized by Career Pathways at ANC.

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