

## Northeastern Junior College September 2024 Board Report

- **Transform the Student Experience**

**We welcomed back our returning and new students for 2024-2025!**



**NJC's international student population just keeps getting bigger and bigger, and this year we welcomed 44 students from 20 different countries!** Along with some of our regularly admitted countries, this year we are adding Belgium, Mozambique, Israel, and Saudi Arabia!

**Northeastern Junior College is part of the ALL IN Voter Registration Challenge, a nationwide effort to increase student voter participation and civic engagement.** NJC received word the week of September 9, that we are the recipients of a Gold Seal for Excellence in Student Voter Engagement during the 2022 midterm elections!

**The Northeastern Baseball Program participated in the ArmCare Accelerator Program on campus on September 4-5.** This program included coach/trainer and staff classrooms, weight room training, player practice with arm activation, throwing progressions and throwing programs specific to position, post throw arm care, data analysis training, player classroom on nutrition and hydration and sleep habits.



**The Northeastern Rodeo Team headed to the Chadron State College Rodeo on September 5-8.** The results are below.

## **NJC RODEO RESULTS CSC RODEO**

### TEAM ROPING

Harley Ann Baas & Aidan Scollard  
2nd Long Go, 4th Short Go, 4th Avg.



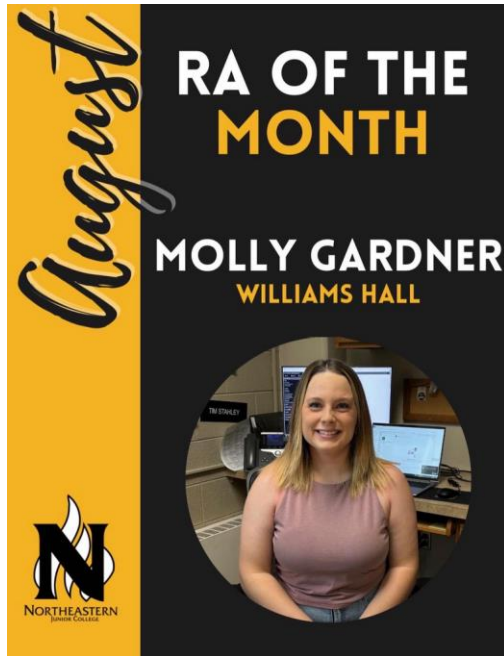
### BREAKAWAY ROPING

Olivia Cullen  
10th Long Go, 4th Short Go, 4th Avg.

**WOMEN'S TEAM 4TH PLACE**

- **Transform our Own Workforce**

**Our Resident Assistant for the month for August was Molly Gardner who resides in the Williams Hall Residence Hall.**



- **Education Without Barriers Through Transformational Partnerships**

**Our amazing alumni are instrumental in assisting NJC and our students with employment opportunities through discussions with regional partners! NJC Alumni Board President Mark Kokes arranged a tour of the Nextera Operations Facility near Crook, CO for President White.**



*Pictured are: NJC President Mike White, Terrin Schoepner (NextEra) and Craig Debus(NextEra) along with Peggy and Mark Kokes.*





## CUSTOM CDL TRAINING FOR EMPLOYERS

Changes to CDL training rules and laws over the last two years have created barriers for many municipalities and businesses in Colorado who wish to upskill their staff. In an effort to help with training needs and overcome training barriers, NJC is offering onsite CDL Class - A & Class - B training throughout Colorado.

Northeastern Junior College's Commercial Driving Program is prepared to provide customized training to City, County and State entities throughout Colorado, who are in need of upskilling or reskilling their employees with the Commercial Driver's License.

The 2023 Colorado Talent Pipeline Report identified Commercial Driver's License (CDL) as one of the top ten in-demand certificates in Colorado. Recognizing this in-demand industry, NJC is expanding workforce noncredit, short term, programs to offer pathways to industry recognized credentials.

Customization will include vehicle type, location, duration and schedule. The custom class will meet or exceed all training requirements set forth by the FMCSA, the State of Colorado and the ELDT mandate for a Class - A and/or Class - B CDL.

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### NJC CDL INFORMATION

NJC boasts a 100% success rate (CDL obtainment rate) for public employees who have completed their customized CDL course. Custom trainings are available for CDL Class - A or Class - B based on the employers needs.

NJC has provided custom trainings for:

- city dump trucks and straight trucks
- pickup and trailer rated over 10,000 LBS
- passenger and school bus
- tractor-trailers

**NJC President Mike White hosted Representative Jennifer Bacon (HD 7), eight candidates for state office and a U.S. Congressional Staffer for a tour of our wind facility, nursing program and a discussion about higher education in rural communities. Thank you, Candidate Dusty Johnson for arranging the visit!**



- **Affordability, Quality, Accountability, Resource Development and Operational Excellence**

WalletHub released rankings of the [best and worst community colleges](#), which were ultimately determined by the best education at the lowest price. NJC was one of only three from the entire state of Colorado to be ranked in the top half of the 653 community colleges that were evaluated. Among the three, NJC was ranked the highest for educational outcomes and in fact, we placed in the top 100 colleges in that category.

**In response to the issues encountered last year and, in an attempt, to build a proactive approach to campus safety, NJC has employed work studies as after-hours Campus Safety and Grounds Monitors.** There will be three work-studies working as a team to do a campus walkthroughs during the evening. These work-study students carry no authority as security officers and will not be expected or asked to place themselves in any situation that has a potential for conflict or danger. These students' jobs are simply to walk the campus, monitor activities, and report any safety or grounds maintenance concerns. Specific duties include monitoring for suspicious activity, locking doors, turning off lights, and ensuring buildings are empty after hours (especially classrooms and restrooms). They will also provide escorts to any students requesting someone to walk with them to a building or dorm. The aim of the program is to expand our awareness of campus life outside our core operating hours of 8-5.

**To help fundraise for NJC Student Scholarships, the NJC Foundation is offering country dance lessons and practice opportunities for anyone interested.**



**NJC Barn Dance**

HELP US FUNDRAISE FOR NJC STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS

SEPT 11TH · OCT 16TH · NOV 13TH

6:30PM- LESSONS START

7:30PM- SOCIAL DANCE/PRACTICE

Country Kickup

100 College Ave Hays Student Center Sterling, CO 80751  
NJC Ballroom

**\$5 PER PERSON**

The poster features a black background with white and red text and graphics. On the left, there are social media icons for Facebook and Instagram, and a diamond-shaped graphic containing a pair of cowboy boots. On the right, there is a large, stylized illustration of a cowboy boot with a floral pattern. The text is arranged in a clear, hierarchical layout, with the event title at the top, followed by the fundraising goal, dates, times, location, and price.