



## Activities and Projects Updates Summary

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**NETForce Meeting Date: March 1, 2019**

### Communications/Outreach

- **NEW Entrepreneurship Listserv Subscription Link** - <https://lists.k12.ne.us/subscribe/entre-ed>
- **Twitter - @NDE\_EntreED** – Tweets and retweets related to entrepreneurship and entrepreneurship education in Nebraska and beyond. Currently 195 followers.
- **Nebraska Entrepreneurship Education website** - <https://www.education.ne.gov/entreped/>

### Workplace Experiences Continuum/Workplace Experiences Guide and Resources Website

The Workplace Experiences website has been converted to WordPress. In addition, the *Guidelines for Implementing Work-Based Learning Strategies* publication has undergone updates and revisions and the final version is being used as the basis of focused professional development for CTE teachers, work-based learning coordinators, school counselors and school administrators.

### Nebraska Career Tours Videos – [www.nebraskacareerclusters.com](http://www.nebraskacareerclusters.com)

The final set of Nebraska Career Clusters videos is now live at [www.necareertours.com](http://www.necareertours.com). The Teacher Discussion Guides and Student View Guides have been posted for each of the videos.

The new videos are for:

- Law, Public Safety, Corrections and Security – Rembolt Ludtke, Nebraska Army National Guard, Midwest Medical Transport
- Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources (new videos shot to replace first round videos) – CVA, HDR, and Omaha Steaks
- Government and Public Administration – AmeriCorps, Phelps County, Southeast Nebraska Development District
- Energy and Engineering – Olsson Associates, NPPD, Strobel Energy
- Manufacturing – Added Royal Composites

### reVISION

Twenty school districts have been participating in the reVISION process this year. I have been facilitating and co-facilitating the reVISION meetings for Arnold, East Butler, Freeman and schools in ESU 9 and ESU 16. To date, 100 districts have completed reVISION. Since the first cohort in 2012-2013, over \$3.5 million in reVISION action grants have been awarded.

## Nebraska Career Education Conference

Nebraska Career Education Conference – June 3-6, 2019  
Younes Conference Center-Kearney, NE ([www.nceconference.com](http://www.nceconference.com))

At this year's NCE Conference, workshops focused on entrepreneurship and work-based learning will be incorporated into the program. In addition, on Monday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>, two special three-hour workshops will be offered. The titles are:

- Creating a Quality Continuum of Workplace Experiences for Your Students
- Discover your Business/Organization Builder Talents & the Explore the Future Builders Challenge (Participants will receive a copy of Born to Build and complete the Builders Profile 10 assessment)

## Perkins V Implementation

The *Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Act* (Perkins V) reauthorized the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act (Perkins). Perkins is a federal program that invests in secondary and postsecondary Career Technical Education (CTE) programs in all 50 states and the territories. Approximately 7 million secondary learners and 4 million postsecondary learners are enrolled in CTE programs nationwide. The Nebraska Department of Education administers Nebraska's Perkins funds. At the local level, funds can go to comprehensive high schools, technical high schools, area technical centers, career academies, community and technical colleges, early college high schools, public charter schools, pre-apprenticeship/youth apprenticeship programs, Indian Tribes, Tribal organizations, Tribal educational agencies, and tribally controlled colleges and universities.

Perkins V takes effect on July 1, 2019 (begins a one-year transition to full implementation of a 4 year state plan).

Nebraska Career Education Staff are currently in work groups focused around completing the necessary work to develop our Transition Plan and 4-Year State Plan. Those groups are Data & Accountability; **Program Quality & Implementation; Governance, Administration and Funding**; Equity and Access; **Communication and Stakeholder Engagement**; and **Editing/Proofing**. I am currently serving on those in bold.

## Impending Retirement

In anticipation of my planned retirement date of July 5<sup>th</sup>, I will be working during the next few months to mentor the individuals who will be assuming my job duties. I still plan to stay involved with NETForce and hope to do independent consulting and coaching (StrengthsFinder, Business Profile 10, Entrepreneurship, etc.) along with finding time to relax, attack the huge pile of books I've compiled and never found time to read, hopefully adopt a rescue dog, and to do some fun traveling in and outside the state.

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