Strategic Plan 2009-2014
Northland Community & Technical College
East Grand Forks & Thief River Falls, Minnesota
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Starting in 2008, Northland Community and Technical College began a comprehensive process to develop a strategic plan. This process, at the direction of President Anne Temte, was spearheaded by the college’s Center for Outreach and Innovation (COI). COI’s leadership hosted numerous meetings, which included area community leaders and the college’s employees and students. Throughout this open process, individuals were able to speak to their concerns and identify what they believed to be the highest priorities for the college.

This process resulted in identifying three specific priorities: 1. Inspire Student Success. 2. Cultivate High Quality Programs, Services & Employees. 3. Revolutionize Growth Strategies to Sustain Vibrant Learning Communities. Out of these three priorities, specific lead measures, strategies and responsible parties were identified.

It was determined to use the example of the difference between water at 211 degrees versus 212 degrees. At 212 degrees water boils, creating steam, which in turn can power a locomotive. Only one degree difference, yet significant in use and impact.

Through this strategic plan, everyone in the college is encouraged to strive to do the extra things that will cause us to reach that extra degree. As a result our theme is “What Is Your Plus One?”

Following is an outline and tables detailing this information.
INSPIRE STUDENT SUCCESS

1. Increase student success rates (retention + graduation + transfer) to align with the mean of MnSCU system colleges
   - a. Increase Retention Rates
   - b. Increase Graduation Rates
   - c. Increase Transfer Rates

2. Increase the success rates of underrepresented students to align with the mean of MnSCU system colleges
   - a. Close the Achievement Gap

CULTIVATE HIGH QUALITY PROGRAMS, SERVICES, & EMPLOYEES

3. Improve institutional performance against established quality standards (measures will be developed during academic year 2009-2010)
   - a. Employ External Standards
   - b. Utilize Assessment Measures throughout the College
   - c. Develop and Train Employees
   - d. Engage in Continuous Improvement
   - e. Enhance Stakeholder Satisfaction

REVOLUTIONIZE GROWTH STRATEGIES TO SUSTAIN VIBRANT LEARNING COMMUNITIES

4. Increase the number of full-year equivalent (FYE) students from 2,800 to 3,100 by 2014
   - a. Increase Enrollment from High School Population
   - b. Increase Enrollment from Post-High School Population
   - c. Promote Short-term/Flexible Training

5. Increase net annual revenue from entrepreneurial and philanthropic sources from $167,500 to $269,000 by 2014 (10% year to year increase)
   - a. Increase COI Net Profit
   - b. Increase Foundation Revenue

6. Develop new programs and delivery methods to address needs of learners and regional economies
   - a. Develop New Programs/Program Redesign
   - b. Develop Short-term/Flexible Training
   - c. Enhance use of Online Technology
   - d. Deploy Resources Strategically
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<td>2. Increase the success rates of underrepresented students to align with the mean of MnSCU system colleges</td>
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NORTHLAND COMMUNITY & TECHNICAL COLLEGE
FISCAL YEAR 2010 FACT SHEET

YEAR COLLEGE FOUNDED: 1949

CAMPUS LOCATIONS:

East Grand Forks Campus
2022 Central Avenue NE
East Grand Forks, MN 56721
218.793.2800  Toll-Free: 800.451.3441
Fax: 218.793.2842  TDD: 218.793.2801

Thief River Falls Campus
1101 Highway One East
Thief River Falls, MN 56701
218.683.8800  Toll-Free: 800.959.6282
Fax: 218.683.8980  TDD: 218.683.8801

SATELLITE SITES:

Mahnomen
Highway 59 South
Mahnomen, MN 56557
218.936.5775

Roseau
121 Center St. E., Suite 200
Roseau, MN 56751
218.463.1606

Thief River Falls Airport
13892 Airport Drive
Thief River Falls, MN 56701
218.683.8802

COLLEGE WEBSITE: www.northlandcollege.edu

TYPE OF INSTITUTION: Northland Community & Technical College (NCTC) is a fully-accredited two-year college with campuses in East Grand Forks and Thief River Falls, MN, offering one and two-year degrees, transfer programs and diploma certification in a variety of majors, as well as workforce training and continuing education programs.

MISSION: NCTC is dedicated to creating a quality-learning environment for all learners through partnerships with students, communities, businesses, and other educational institutions.

STRATEGIC PLAN: NCTC has identified three core priorities in the advancement of achieving our mission:

1. Inspire Student Success.
2. Cultivate High Quality Programs, Services, & Employees.

GOVERNANCE: NCTC is a public community & technical college operating under the auspices of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities System. The system consists of 32 universities, community, and technical colleges in Minnesota. The system is led by a Board of Trustees and Chancellor Dr. James H. McCormick.

COLLEGE LEADERSHIP:
NCTC President: Dr. Anne Temte (2006 – Present)
NCTC Vice President of Academic and Student Affairs: Kent Hanson (2003 – Present)

COLLEGE EMPLOYEES:
Administrators: 11 (10 Full-Time Equivalent)
Faculty: 227 (184 Full-Time Equivalent)
Staff: 130 (110 Full-Time Equivalent)

TUITION AND FEES: Average annual cost is $4,899 (based on 2009-2010). The actual cost depends upon the program or degree choice and credit load.

FACTS & FIGURES:

Total number of students served: 5,540
Full-time students: 46.0%  Part-time students: 54.0%
Percent male: 41.9%  Percent female: 58.1%
College Colors: Navy & Scarlet  College Mascot: Pioneers
EAST GRAND FORKS CAMPUS HISTORY:
• 1971 – The local school district was designated for an Area Vocational Technical Institute (AVTI).
• 1973 – First classes of the East Grand Forks AVTI were offered in rented facilities.
• 1975 – The present facility opened.
• 1992 – The name was changed to Northwest Technical College and consolidated with five area technical colleges.
• 2003 – The college was merged with Northland Community & Technical College of Thief River Falls.

THIEF RIVER FALLS CAMPUS HISTORY:
• 1949 – Thief River Falls Area Vocational School was established, and was housed in various locations in Thief River Falls.
• 1965 – Thief River Falls State Junior College was established and housed at Lincoln High School.
• 1973 – Thief River Falls State Junior College was renamed Northland Community College.
• 1995 – The two schools were merged to form Northland Community & Technical College.
• 2003 – NCTC merged with Northwest Technical College in East Grand Forks. The name remained Northland Community & Technical College.

DEGREES OFFERED: Associate in Arts, Associate in Science, Associate in Applied Science, Diplomas, and Certificates.

ACCREDITATION: NCTC is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission and a member of the North Central Association.

ECONOMIC IMPACT: NCTC has a nearly $70 million economic impact in the region and employs 368 individuals.

BUDGET: NCTC’s general fund budget for fiscal year 2010 is $27,500,000, 44% of which is an allocation from the State of Minnesota. The remaining 56% is raised through tuition, fees and other sources of revenue.

LIBERAL ARTS TRANSFER PROGRAMS: Art, Biology, Business, Chemistry, Education, English, Environmental Studies, History, Journalism, Mathematics, Music, Natural Resources, Physical Education & Coaching, Physics, Political Science, Pre-Athletic Training, Pre-Chiropractic, Pre-Dentistry, Pre-Engineering, Pre-Law, Pre-Medicine, Pre-Mortuary, Pre-Pharmacy, Pre-Physical Therapy, Pre-Veterinary Science, Social Work, and Sports Management


HEALTH PROGRAMS: Cardiovascular Technology – Invasive, Firefighter – Paramedic, Intensive Care, Paramedic, Phlebotomy, Massage Therapy, Medical Administrative Secretary, Medical Coding & Insurance, Medical Transcription, Practical Nursing (LPN), Registered Nursing (RN), Nursing Assistant, Occupational Therapy Assistant, Pharmacy Technology, Physical Therapist Assistant, Rescue Technician, Respiratory Therapist, Radiologic Technology, Surgical Technology

ATHLETICS: NCTC is a member of the National Junior College Athletic Association Division III Athletics Program. NCTC currently sponsors the following teams: Men’s basketball, baseball and football and women’s volleyball, basketball and softball.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES: NCTC student life includes: Choir, community band, jazz band, Phi Theta Kappa honor society, intramural athletics, student government, professional organizations and numerous student clubs.