

What's Happening

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NOC, Dillingham Insurance receive Regents Business Partnership award

Northern Oklahoma College and Dillingham Insurance of Enid were among twenty-seven business and higher education partnerships throughout the state recognized March 9 as innovative collaborations that further the education of Oklahoma's workforce in a ceremony at the University of Central Oklahoma.

The Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education's Regents Business Partnership Excellence Award is designed to highlight successful partnerships between higher education institutions and businesses and to further cultivate the higher learning environment through State Regents' Economic Development Grants.

Institutions involved in these partnerships provide \$500 for tuition waivers to employees of the partnering businesses; internships that enable current students to work at the partnering businesses; faculty externships with the partnering businesses; and/or enhancement of the partnerships with additional equipment, materials or supplies. The State Regents provide a \$500 match to the waivers.

For over three decades, Northern Oklahoma College and Dillingham Insurance have enjoyed a partnership centered on higher education and economic development.

The late Dan Dillingham joined the family insurance business in 1958, founded on the principles of teamwork, character, and commitment to the communities they serve. Dillingham Insurance has provided comprehensive insurance solutions for clients of all sizes across the United States. As a 4th-generation, family-owned business headquartered in Enid, Oklahoma, they offer business insurance products, group benefits, personal insurance products, and human resource services.

Dan and his wife Kay along with the legacy of their three sons Jed, Peter and Chad are focused on community leadership with a passion for affordable and accessible higher education for all citizens in Enid and Northwest Oklahoma.

The Dillingham Foundation has provided sig-

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Spring Break March 14-18



NOC and Dillingham Insurance received The Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education's Regents Business Partnership Excellence Award March 9 at UCO. Pictured (L-R): Sheri Snyder, NOC Vice President for Development and Community Relations, Chad Dillingham, Dillingham Insurance/Dillingham Foundation, Kay Dillingham, Dillingham Insurance/Dillingham Foundation, Dr. Clark Harris, NOC President, Jed Dillingham, Dillingham Insurance/Dillingham Foundation, Peter Dillingham, Dillingham Insurance/Dillingham Foundation, Anita Simpson, NOC Vice President for Financial Affairs (photo provided)

Dillingham

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nificant endowed student scholarship funding and various other support to the College and the NOC Foundation.

Through the leadership of Dan Dillingham and other Enid community leaders whose dedication and desire for higher education aided in the purchase of Northern Oklahoma College Enid – formerly Phillips University in 1999. The family has volunteered their service on either the NOC Board of Regents, NOC Foundation Board of Trustees or the Enid Higher Education Council Board of Directors with the goal of working together to promote public college access and degree completion. Thus, increasing the number of graduates from NOC Enid and strengthening the city's and state's workforce and economy.

NOC March Birthdays



Kathy Phillips	March 11	Kim Roice	March 26
James Cooley	March 11	Jimilea Johnson	March 28
Greg Krause	March 16	Chris Young	March 28
Brian Baird	March 22	April Heitfeld	March 28
Elaine Briggs	March 22	Kurt Campbell	March 30



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TRANSFER WEBINAR SERIES

Join us online once a month to learn about a different aspect of the transfer process at Oklahoma State University. Register now at okla.st/virtualevents

TRANSFER 101 & CAMPUS RESOURCES March 24 @ 12 p.m.

In this first Transfer Webinar, our admissions counselors introduce what it means to be a transfer student at OSU. They break down what you should expect for your application, acceptance and the helpful resources available to you as a transfer student.

COLLEGE CREDIT TRANSFER GUIDES April 14 @ 12 p.m.

In this second Transfer
Webinar, our admissions
counselors discuss how your
credits will transfer from you
previous university to OSU.
They also talk about your
application process and
transition to OSU.

TRANSFER STUDENT LIFE May 15 @ 12 p.m.

In this third Transfer Webinar, our admissions counselors discuss transfer student life and go in depth about your academic resources, student life, living options, amenities on campus and more



Jimmy Webb is pictured with family and friends at his concert Tuesday night at the Kinzer Performing Arts Center. (photo by John Pickard/Northern Oklahoma College)

Jimmy Webb wows crowd at KPAC

Grammy award winning songwriter Jimmy Webb appeared at Northern Oklahoma College last Tuesday as part of the NOC Renfro Lectureship Series.

Webb played a 90-minute set and then participated in a 30-minute Q&A Session with NOC students and audience members.

The event was sponsored by the Carl and Carolyn Renfro Endowed Lectureship Program and Northern Oklahoma College.

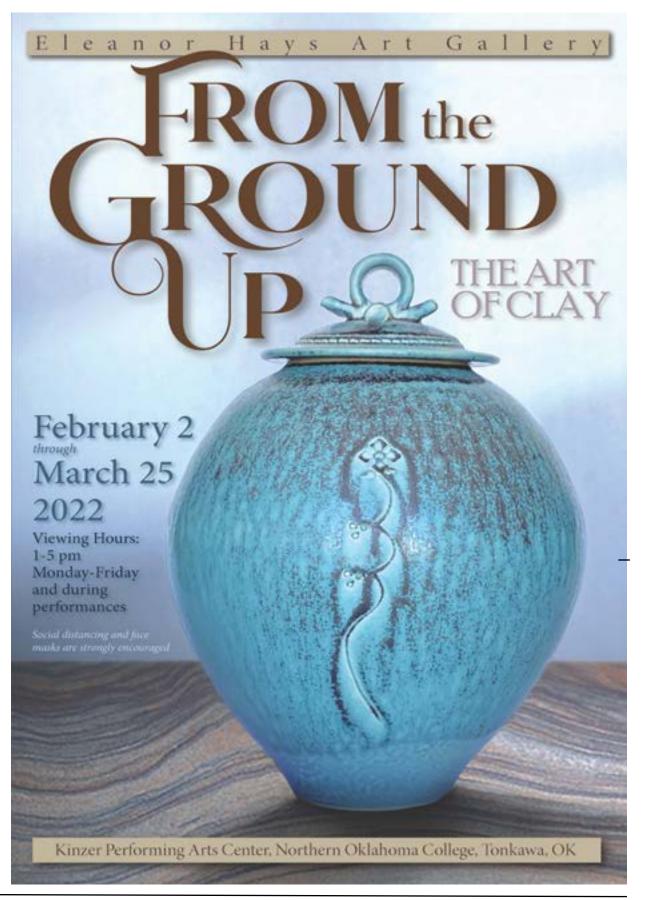
The Oklahoma native, has written songs that transcend generations and genres including Wichita Lineman, MacArthur Park, By the Time I Get to Phoenix, and Didn't We.

A Motown-trained composer, Webb writes all of his own lyrics and music and is the only hit maker to have scored songs on the Pop, Country, R&B, Rap, Disco and New Age charts.

will hear this multi-Grammy Award winner's songs and experience his insightful and often humorous stories about his work with Glen Campbell, Frank Sinatra, Linda Ronstadt (Still



During this "Evening with Jimmy Webb," guests Within the Sound of My Voice), Art Garfunkel (All I Know), The Fifth Dimension (Up, Up and Away), The Highwaymen (The Highwayman), Kanye West (Famous, features Webb's Do What You Gotta Do), and more.





Sheri Whitehead and Dirk Allen (seated) established the Mom and Pop Allen Scholarship Fund in honor of their parents. Back Row (L-R): Sheri Snyder, Vice President for Community Relations & Development; Jill Green, Director of Development and Donor Relations; Dr. Clark Harris, NOC President) (photo provided)

NOC Foundation establishes Mom and Pop Allen Scholarship Fund

The Northern Oklahoma College Foundation, Inc. acknowledges the establishment of the Mom and Pops Allen Scholarship Fund.

of Boehme Hall on the Tonkawa campus from 1989-1996. They were affectionately known as Mom and Pops to hundreds of NOC students. Mom and Pops loved each student as their own and thought of all who were associated with NOC as family.

Through the generous support of their children Dirk Allen and Sherri Whitehead as well as other family and friends, the scholarship will assist students from the Deer Creek-Lamont school district or mothers pursuing their edu-

"Mom and Pop Allen impacted so many students' life while serving as dorm parents in Earl and Roberta Allen served as Directors Boehme Hall," said Sheri Snyder, Vice President for Development and Community Relations. "We are appreciative of the family for creating the endowed scholarship in their memory to continue to benefits NOC Tonkawa students living in campus housing."

Earl was a graduate of Deer Creek High School and Roberta was a graduate of Lamont High School. After retirement, they made their home in Lamont where they were able to enjoy children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.



BEHIND ON RENT AND UTILITIES?

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- Have lost your job or income due to COVID-19 on or after March 13, 2020 AND-
- Live in Oklahoma and are behind on your rent and/or utility bills

If anyone has lost any form of income due to the pandemic, we encourage you to apply for help with rent or bills through RSVP. CCP has the funds to help pay almost all bills owed if you have been affected by COVID in any way.

It is super easy, so long as we have the below information ready to go!

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- Utiliy Bills (Water, Gas, Electric Bill)
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- Receipt of last payment for rent

Additional documents to bring if you have them but are not required to apply:

- Social security number
- Tax return from 2020 or statement of income for SSI or Disability
- Updated Lease agreement
- COVID-impact letter (i.e. letter from doctor or hospital, old employer etc.)





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Steichen children add to Steichen Family Music Scholarship

The children of Bob and Margaret Steichen honor their parent's memory with a significant endowed donation to the Steichen Family Music Scholarship.

The scholarship was established by Bob and the Steichen children after the passing of Margaret in 2019. The permanently restricted endowment assists students participating in vocal, music theatre, or instrumental music on the Northern Oklahoma College Tonkawa location.

"We are truly grateful for this memorial scholarship endowment," said Sheri Snyder, Vice President for Development and Community Relations. "The Steichen family legacy will continue through this lasting gift and will continue NOC and especially the fine arts program. to help many music students attending NOC Tonkawa for years to come."

Margaret was the first in her family to graduate from college, and Bob taught at Northern for over twenty years. Through their 66 years of marriage they instilled the importance of education and giving back to each of their six children, who are all graduates of Northern. Bob and Margaret were always avid supporters of



Bob and Margaret Steichen

They always made time to enjoy the student's performances and they were instrumental in assisting with the Gala during its 24 years on campus.

The impact of this donation will honor the memory of Bob and Margaret and will leave a lasting legacy that will support Northern students for generations to come.

Distinguished Alumni Banquet March 26

Northern Oklahoma College alumni Joe R. Kreger and Tara Tucker Vaughn will be inducted into the NOC Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame March 26.

Joe Kreger, Class of 1959, and Tara Tucker Vaughn, Class of 1989, will be honored in ceremonies taking place during the NOC Alum-

ni and Friends Reunion Dinner in the Renfro Center at NOC Tonkawa at 5:30 p.m.

The Classes of 1970, 1971, and 1972 will be honored at the event.

Contact Kayla Wooderson at 580-628-6473 or e-mail kayla.wooderson@noc.edu. for more information.

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- Checking account and routing number for refund
- 1095-A or healthcare coverage or exemption

NOC students attend Pre-Engineering Workshop at Tonkawa

Pre-Engineering Workshop Friday, March 4 at the Crowder Science Hall at NOC.

Twenty-eight NOC students from the Tonkawa, Stillwater and Enid campuses participated in the workshop.

Cody Mann, NOC's Bell Program contact, presented materials regarding the Bell program and the economics of figuring out what is needed for the costs to continue the upper division education. Payton Malcolm, a former PLC student and recently graduated from Minnesota State University, and Veronica Ramirez, a current Bell Student were the primary presenters for the resume and professionalism portion of the program. Corbin Crowder and Jayden Sharp, current Bell Students who are completing Co-Op internships in the area, also stopped ing two years are spent taking courses remotely in briefly during the day.

Dr. Frankie Wood-Black stated "this workshop was designed to help our students learn what is needed to succeed throughout their educational careers to allow them to be productive in the future. The idea behind the workshop was to hear from others what helped them prepare for the workforce, provide information about files. The program was partially funded by a senior level courses, and what they can be do-

Northern Oklahoma College Tonkawa held a ing right now to prepare and gain experience in these critical career fields. This workshop helped the students to plan for the future and to experience what types of opportunities may be available to them."

> The Bell Program is an ABET accredited upper division engineering transfer program for students coming from a community college or equivalent education experience at a university seeking a Bachelor of Science in Engineering degree. This program model allows students to graduate with 2.5 years of engineering experience. The first half-year is called the Bell Academy which is an intensive growth phase where students learn to work in industry by completing design projects, taking technical courses, and developing professional skills. The followwhile having the opportunity to work as engineers full time in industry for up to 24 months.

> A planned rocket launch had to be scrapped due to high winds and the potential fire danger, but an alternate date is being planned. Each student at the Friday NOC workshop received a photo for their resume's and/or Linked In pro-NOC Presidential Partner grant.

Livestock Judging contest April 2

Northern Oklahoma College Livestock Judging is hosting a contest April 2 at the NOC Tonkawa Ag Barn.

The cost of the event is \$25 per team and \$5 per individual.

Junior and Senior Divisions will be judging at the event.

The contest will include Beef, Sheep, and Swine.

Contact Jennifer Bedwell at 580.628.6293 or jennifer.bedwell@noc.edu for more information. Social distancing and face masks are strongly encouraged.



FEBRUARY

9	Wednesday Archery Tag – East Gym - 7-9 pm
12	Saturday Home Bedlam Basketball vs. NOC Enid – 6 pm, 8 pm
16	Wednesday Bingo for Food – East Gym – 7:30 pm
28	Monday Inflatable Putt Putt – East Gym – 4-8 pm

MARCH

2-5	Wednesday-Saturday NJCAA Basketball Region Tournament
7	Monday Video Game Trailer – Circle Drive - 6-8 pm
14 -18	Spring Break
22	Tuesday Hypnotist – KPAC – 7 pm
30	Wednesday OKC Thunder vs. Atlantic Hawks - Tickets \$10
	(Limited number of tickets available. See Renna in Student Affairs)

APRIL

4	Monday Bingo for Food – East Gym – 7:30 pm
10	Monday Extreme Animal Petting Zoo – Gazebo Area – 10 am – Noon
13	Wednesday Jase Holtom Concert – Circle Drive/Outside Science
18	Monday Easter Egg Hunt – Meet at Gazebo (outside Student Union) – 6:30 pm
25	Monday Paint Night – 6:30 pm East Gym
	Sian up in Student Affairs Office by April 15

Monday | Food for Finals

'Power Up Your Summer' workshops scheduled at NOC in June

Students who have just completed the 8th activities planned include building and design-Grade and would like to have a fun summer experience focusing on Oklahoma's fastest-growing energy sector may attend the Northern Oklahoma College's "Power Up Your Summer" workshops.

hosting three one-day science and technology workshops where students will be introduced to various forms of energy, including electricity, wind, hydropower, and solar.

Students will participate in design projects that will allow them to see how different types of energy are transformed to allow for energy to be transported to their homes. Some of the

ing wind turbines, solar powered cars, and solar fountains. Students will be able to "Power-Up their Summer" while learning about electricity and electric circuits.

The experience is being paid for by a grant During the week of June 13, NOC will be from the Oklahoma State Higher Education Regents, so there is no cost to the student, but students must apply to be considered for the academy and space is limited.

> The application can be found on the NOC Website at https://bit.ly/3vN0TCD and is due by March 31. Students will be selected at random from the received applications, and will be notified by April 8, if selected.

NOC Calendar

March 12-March 25

March 13

Begin Daylight Savings Time

March 14-18

Spring Break - No Classes/Offices Closed

March 20

Residence Halls Open, noon

March 21

Begin Fall Enrollment

March 22

Free Student Lunch, BCM, 11:30 a.m. – 12:45 p.m., Tonkawa

Renew at the BCM, BCM, 6:30 p.m., Tonkawa Hypnotist, KPAC, 7 p.m., Tonkawa

March 23

Free Student Lunch, Wesley House, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m., Tonkawa

Free Lunch, Gantz Center (James Room),

11:30 a.m. – 12:45 p.m., Enid

Board of Regents Meeting, Brown Conference

Room, 1 p.m., Stillwater

BCM Gathering, BCM, 7 p.m.

March 25

Redbud Jazz Festival, KPAC, 7:30 p.m., Tonkawa

Art Exhibit Closes, Eleanor Hays Art Gallery (KPAC), Tonkawa

For additional information, visit the following

links: NOC Calendar







APRIL 2, 202

\$25 Per Team \$5 Per Individual

NOC Tonkawa AG BARN / Check in Starts at 8 am / Junior and Senior Divisions



Contact Jennifer Bedwell 580.628.6293 | jennifer.bedwell@noc.edu

Social Distancing and Face Masks are Strongly Encouraged.

VITA Tax preparation at Tonkawa

Northern Oklahoma College is providing all filers; Social Security cards and birthdates for free basic income tax return preparation for students, NOC employees, and area residents 1099 forms; receipts for childcare costs, educathrough April 14.

hosting the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program every Thursday through April 14. The CEC will be closed March 14-18 for spring break and for inclement weather. The CEC is located in the library in the Vineyard Administration/Library building.

Singles or families making less than \$58,000 per year qualify for the free service.

Trained tax preparers from the NOC Business Division and area volunteers will be available for tax assistance beginning Thursday, Feb. 3. Taxpayers also have an option to prepare their own basic federal and state tax return using the free e-filing software.

Interested parties need to bring a photo ID for sponsoring the program.

taxpayer, spouse, and dependents; W-2 forms; tion expenses, and other deductions; checking The Cultural Engagement Center (CEC) is account and routing number for refund; and 1095-A, -B, or -C healthcare coverage or exemption.

> It is necessary to make an appointment by contacting Cara Beth Johnson at 580.628.6340 or carolyn.johnson@noc.edu. Tax preparers are available from 4 p.m. - 8 p.m. No drop off's will be accepted, individuals must be present during tax preparation.

> Barbara Nickles is the VITA site coordinator and NOC students Megan Rice and Cassidie Schmidt will assist her in preparing the tax returns. All have taken and passed all the required IRS tax preparer coursework.

Northern Oklahoma College and the IRS are

Daisy nursing nominations due April 1

Nursing faculty at Northern Oklahoma College will soon be honored with The DAISY Award® for Extraordinary Nursing faculty.

Nominations are due April 1. They may be made at the following link https://www.noc. edu/academics/academic-divisions/nursing-division/daisy-award/

Nursing faculty may be nominated by colleagues, peers, patients, families, or alumni. The award recipients are chosen by a committee at NOC to receive The DAISY Award which will be presented once year at the Pinning Ceremony at NOC Enid on April 30.

The award is part of The DAISY Foundation's mission to express gratitude to nurses with programs that recognize them for the extraordinary, compassionate and skillful care they provide patients and families.

NOC Nursing Division Chair Dr. Nikole Hicks said, "NOC's nursing faculty work tirelessly to ensure future nurses have a strong foundation to provide nursing care for our communities. It is an honor to partner with the DAISY Foundation to recognize our exceptional nursing faculty – past, present, and future."

The DAISY Foundation expanded its' flagship brand The DAISY Award for Extraordinary Nurses to Academic Institutions in order to recognize the faculty who inspire compassionate care in their students and the students who demonstrate it during their education.

Each Honoree receives a certificate, a DAI-SY Award pin and a beautiful and meaningful sculpture called A Healer's Touch, hand-carved by artists of the Shona Tribe in Zimbabwe.



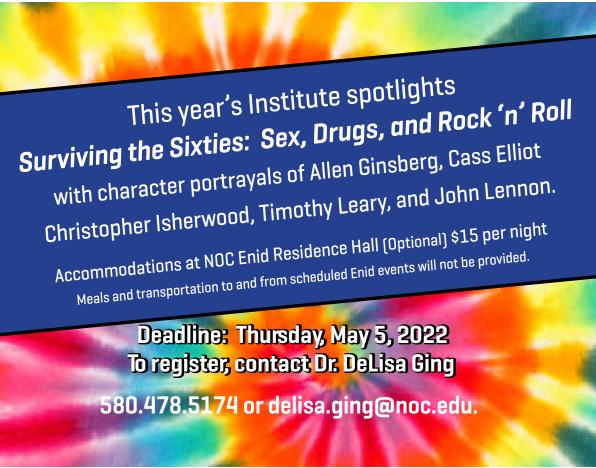
A History-Filled Professional Development Opportunity

June 13-18, 2022 Northern Oklahoma College Enid

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The following is the Jets Sports Calendar through March 24.

March 12: Away Baseball vs. National Park (AR), noon

March 12: Home Softball vs. Connors, 1 p.m.

March 13: Away Baseball vs. National Park (AR), noon

March 18: Away Baseball vs. South Arkansas (AR), 1 p.m.

March 19: Away Baseball vs. South Arkansas (AR), 1 p.m.

March 19: Away Softball vs. NEO, 1 p.m.

March 21: Away Softball vs. Friends, 3 p.m.

March 22: Away Baseball vs. Rose State, 1 p.m.

March 24: Home Softball vs. UA Rich Mountain (AR), 2 p.m.

Follow the Jets at https://nocjets.com/landing/index



The following is the Mavs Sports Calendar through March 25.

March 12: Home Baseball vs. UA Rich Mountain (AR), noon

March 13: Home Softball vs. Frank Phillips, 11 a.m.

March 14: Home Baseball vs. Hesston (KS), 1 p.m.

March 15: Home Softball vs. Carl Albert, 1 p.m.

March 17: Home Baseball vs. Western, 1 p.m.

March 19: Away Baseball vs. Western, 1 p.m.

March 19: Away Softball vs. Connors, 2 p.m.

March 23: Away Softball vs. Friends, 3 p.m.

March 24: Home Softball vs. Seminole, 2 p.m.

Follow the Mavs at https://nocmavs.com/land-ing/index



NOC nursing program featured in Elsevier Education

NOC Nursing is featured in Elsevier Education with an article regarding how NOC Nursing faculty are providing the tools that students need to be successful.

https://evolve.elsevier.com/education/success-stories/faculty-support-northern-oklahoma-college-means-better-resources-through-elsevier-360/



Laptops Available

For use in the CEC or Library

Stop by the CEC Desk located in the Gathering Space

Must have NOC or government issued ID to check out a laptop For more information, contact Gina Conneywerdy 580.628.6384

NOC Enid, Northwestern campuses develop partnership program to help with teacher shortage

There continues to be a teacher shortage in the State of Oklahoma so the Enid campuses for Northwestern Oklahoma State University and Northern Oklahoma College are partnering to do something about it.

A fast-track course of study for completion of the elementary education degree has been developed for the students at these two institutions of higher learning to meet the specific needs of our Enid area community. This program will allow Enid campus students to earn an associate's degree and a bachelor's degree in three and a half years, enabling them to be in the classroom and teaching more quickly than they could through traditional programs.

"A student needs to enter this program at the very beginning of the coursework to benefit from the fast-track initiative," said Dr. Christee Jenlink, associate dean of education and professor of education at Northwestern, adding that students will be taking courses simultaneously at Northwestern-Enid and NOC-Enid.

"As Oklahoma is facing a teacher shortage, this program allows students to obtain their degrees faster while still receiving the same great quality education for which Northern and Northwestern are known," said Tiffany Meacham, Enid academic adviser for elementary education at NOC.

The fast-track program will meet current standards for educator preparation so that completers have the knowledge and skills necessary to become highly effective educators who are ready to support the learning needs of Oklahoma's students.

Jenlink noted that as a state requirement, the students will continue to complete their student teaching assignments in their final semester of school.

"We are very excited about this partnership," said Dr. Bo Hannaford, executive vice president at Northwestern. "We feel this gives opportunities in Enid for teacher candidates to participate in innovative programs while meeting the education needs in northwest Oklahoma and the stery beginning of the coursework to benefit the state."

Northwestern and NOC will be having advisement sessions regarding this fast-track program at the NOC Enid campus in Montgomery Hall and in the lobby of the Zollars Building from 8 a.m. to noon on March 28-29 and April 18-19.

To learn more about this program, contact Mr. Jeremy Hise, vice president at NOC Enid, at (580) 548-2393 or jeremy.hise@noc.edu; or Dr. Josh Hawkins, assistant professor of education at Northwestern-Enid, at (580) 213-3182 or jl-hawkins@nwosu.edu.





DON'T FORGET...

FAFSA 2022-2023

FINANCIAL AID DEADLINES:

October 1 - FAFSA application opens

December 1 - Priority deadline for State of Oklahoma (OTAG)

June 30 - FAFSA application closes

1. Gather Materials
Social Security Card, Driver's License, W2 Forms.

Social Security Card, Driver's License, W2 Forms, Your (and your parents) 2020 Income Information

2. Create FSA ID

3. Complete FAFSA

www.studentaid.gov
NOC School Code: 003162

Need help or have questions?

visit www.noc.edu/current-students/financial-aid or contact a Financial Aid Officer Tonkawa 580.628.6595 | Enid 580.548.2261 | Stillwater 580.628.6917 Financial.aid@noc.edu

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