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# What's Happening

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## Sheep center earns awards in Texas

The Northern Oklahoma Sheep Center earned ma; Lexi Vickery, St. Louis, Missouri; Grace honors at the National Breeding Sheep Show in Taylor, Texas.

The NOC Sheep Production and Management class students fitted and exhibited 12 head of the NOC Sheep Show Flock while attending.

NOC had the Champion Dorset Ram and Reserve Champion Dorset and Dorset Advantage Ewes and the Reserve Champion Hampshire Ram. NOC was also named the Premier Exhibitor of Dorsets.

Students attending the event were Becca Deming, Fairview, Idaho; Greyson Garrett, Geary, Oklahoma; KayAnn Eck, Thomas, Oklaho-

Tucker, North Lake, California; Hailey Stone, Newkirk, and Oklahoma.

NOC Students also participated in the Judging Contest and Becca Deming was High Individual with Grace Tucker earning 2nd place in the

This was an inaugural event to replace the loss of the FWSSR Open and Jr. Sheep Shows.

NOC Sheep Center Manager Bart Cardwell said, "A huge thanks goes to the Chisholm Trail Dorper Association volunteers for their efforts with this show."

Over 500 entries participated in the show.



The NOC Sheep Center exhibited the Reserve Champion Ewe in Taylor, Texas last week.

# celebrate history M

The NOC Enid Science Faculty invites NOC Students, Faculty, and Staff to visit Harmon Science 2nd Floor display of "Black Americans in Science" in honor of Black History Month.

## Northern Encounter dates set

Northern Oklahoma College will be hosting high school students for Northern Encounter at NOC Enid, NOC Tonkawa, and NOC Stillwater in February.

The following is the Northern Encounter schedule:

NOC Tonkawa – Feb. 10

NOC Stillwater - Feb. 15

NOC Enid - Feb. 17

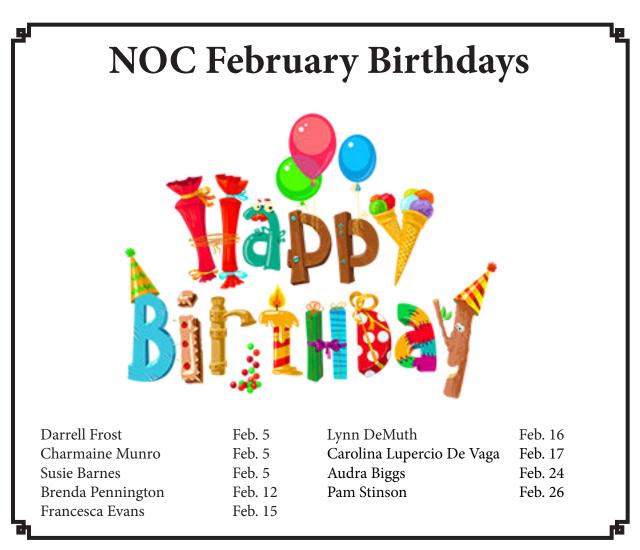
There sessions are from 9 a.m. – 11 a.m.

High school juniors and seniors interested in NOC will have an opportunity to hear from

admissions, financial aid, testing and scholarship departments as well as the different degree programs, clubs, organizations and housing opportunities. Prospective students will also experience campus tours.

The students will receive a free t-shirt along with brochures with information for all three Northern Oklahoma College campuses.

Contact Terri Sunderland at 580.548.2353, Blair Turney at 580.628.6668, or Diana Watkins at 580.628.6905 for additional information. Students may pre-register at <a href="https://www.noc.edu">www.noc.edu</a>.





## 8th ranked Jets open season

The NOC Enid Jets opened the 2021 season Tuesday with an 8-7 win over Hutchinson (KS). The Jets won the NJCAA National Championship in 2019 and were 8-10 in an abbreviated schedule due to Covid-19 under head coach Scott Mansfield in 2020.

NOC Enid is ranked 8th in the pre-season NJ-CAA Division 2 poll.

"Overall, I feel really good about where we are



at this point in the year," Mansfield said. "As is the goal every year, we're looking to compete at an extremely high level and hopefully put ourselves in position to win some hardware at years end."

Mansfield said the Jets' strengths are a sophomore laden lineup and a talented young pitching staff.

Returning are infielders Ambren Voitik, Cale Savage, Kyle Bass, Brandon Lees, Gage Ninness, and catcher Jordan Coffey. Returning in the outfield are Connor Thaxton and Merek Hawthorne.

"I feel as our sophomore heavy offense and defense will be a big asset for us but we're also excited about our pitching staff that has youth but good tools and talent to give us a chance to win daily," Mansfield said. "The biggest strength though is our chemistry, this alone will take us a long way to achieve our goals."

"It has been nearly a year since we were able to suit up together and compete in the same dugout so the excitement that we are going through is comparable to little league players going to play their first ever game," Mansfield said. "We cannot wait to get going and see what the future has in store."

An area of concern is the Jets' youth on the mound. The Jets do return Alex Smith, Brandon Eropkin, Justin Raines, Alex Walton, and Thomas Little.

"The youth on the mound will always be an area of concern because of lack of experience but I think the lack of outside competition and a long gap between game experience will be a little bit of concern early on," he said.

Like every sport, Covid-19 has made it a day to day challenge.

"We've had to experience quarantine on multiple occasions with multiple people and have

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## Jets' softball opens season today

The NOC Enid Jets' Softball team opens the power of the college game," Hill added. "We Failing Field.

After nearly one year away from competition, Hill says her team is ready for the 2021 season to start.

in a game situation," she said. "We are ready to break up the monotony of everyday practice to see where we are at and what we need to work stand February 5." on."

this season.

games so we haven't set foot on a field in a game enzie Richards. setting since Mid-March," she said.

men are going to handle to the speed and the ter weather next week.

season today against Iowa Western at 1 p.m. at have 14 new players of our 21 on the roster who have never stepped foot on a college field so we NOC is led by coach Megan Hill, in her second are interested to see how they handle the first couple of games."

Hill said she likes the work ethic for her 2021

"This group of kids has been motivated from "We are extremely excited to get on the field day 1," she said. "They put in the extra work on their own and they are always getting after it in practice so we are excited to see where we are

Returnees for the Jets include pitchers Ash-As in all sports, Covid-19 forced challenges for leigh McCause and Tori McNabb, infielders Slater Eck and Megan Lee, outfielder Josie "Due to Covid-19 we didn't get to play any fall Stites, and utility players Dru Bryant and Mak-

Today's game was originally scheduled for "My biggest area of concern is how the fresh-next week but the game was moved due to win-



## Starting this Spring Semester for qualifying **NOC Tonkawa Students**

To Qualify: Must be an enrolled NOC student with FAFSA and Pell Grant approved.

Loaned out on a per semester basis.

Full-time enrolled students preferred.



For more details and/or for an application, please visit the IT Department or call 580-628-6291

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changed plans each time, this was a negative has taught all of us, myself included, to be more adaptive and accepting of change to maximize each opportunity we get to be out on the field and do what we love."

Most importantly, Mansfield said the Jets are has in store." excited to be on the field.

"It has been nearly a year since we were able to obviously," he said. "But at the same point, it suit up together and compete in the same dugout so the excitement that we are going through is comparable to little league players going to play their first ever game," he added. "We cannot wait to get going and see what the future



Life changing.

## Mavs open season ranked 3rd

The Northern Oklahoma College Mavericks Bartosovsky, and Bryant Bailey. opened the 2021 baseball season Tuesdayspliting a pair of games against Heston.

The Mavs, under 7th year head coach Ryan Bay, are ranked 3rd in the NJCAA pre-season poll.

The Mays were 23-4 last season when the season was canceled due to Covid-19.

"We've got a good group of guys that have dealt with Covid-19 and the restrictions really well," Bay said. "They've all made personal sacrifices to give our team a chance to play this spring."

Bay said depth of starting pitching should be a key for the Mays' 2021 season.

"Depth on the mound should be a strength if we can stay healthy," he said. "We return five of our top six arms from last season and have added some very capable freshmen arms and one rotations. Those are things we'll have to work semester transfer."

Returning pitchers include Jacob Ellis, Jackie Robinson, Josh Bumgarner, Blake Hubbard, Kirby Lohrengel, Chase Defillippo, Zach Stephenson, and Clayton Solomon.

Returning position players include Hayden Priest, Geo Blackshaw, Sam Shank, Holden

One of Bays' concerns is the lack of preparation time for the Feb. 2 opener.

"We only had 17 days in spring semester to get ready for our season opener on Feb. 2," he said. "We normally get twice that much time to prepare after Christmas break but other schools are dealing with similar scenario so it's something most of us are dealing with."

How did Covid-19 affect the Mavs' preparation for the season.

"It prevented us from playing any outside competition in fall scrimmages," he added. "Those scrimmages are where we normally go through growing pains as a team and find out what areas we need to focus on more and what adjustments we need to try in line ups and pitching through on the fly this spring."

Bay said the Mays are just grateful to be play-

"We're all just thankful to be given the chance to play this spring. Our guys have worked really hard to this point and can't wait for the season opener."

## Mays' Student Athletes of the Week

Mia Brown and Dylan McLean have been chosen as the NOC Maverick and Lady Maverick Basketball Student Athletes of the Week.

Brown is a sophomore from Mustang, Oklahoma while McLean is a freshman from Brooklyn, New York.

Brown had 14 points, eight rebounds and four steals against Labette last Friday night while McLean scored 18 points in a road win against the Cardinals.

"Mia (Brown) has been battling nagging injuspeed," said coach Greg Krause. "She is a very X-Factor for us in conference play."





Mia Brown and Dylan McLean

skilled player who can affect a game in many positive ways."

"Dylan (McLean) did a great job this week.," said coach Donnie Jackson. "He hasn't forced anything and has let the game come to him. ries, so it was good to see her return close to full If he can continue to improve, he could be an

# **Need Help With Classes?** KNOW YOUR OPTIONS

## **On-Site Tutoring**

Peer tutors available for math, writing, and science.

Schedules are listed on the NOC Website

Go to www.noc.edu > Select Students Tab > Current Students > Tutoring

## **Faculty Office Hours**

At least ten office hours per week outside of class.

## **Online at Tutor.com**

Five hours of free online tutoring each semester.



#### Subjects offered on Tutor.com (access through Blackboard)\*

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#### Microsoft Office

MS Excel MS PowerPoint MS Word

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\*Links to Tutor.com are found on each course's Blackboard page.



## **NOC Calendar**

Feb. 6 - Feb. 12

Feb. 6

ACT National Test Day Home Mavs Baseball vs. DMAC, noon

#### Feb. 8

Away Jets Baseball vs. Arkansas Baptist College at Bixby, 1 p.m. Home Mavs and Lady Mavs Basketball vs. NOC Enid, 5:30 p.m. Away Jets and Lady Jets Basketball vs. NOC Tonkawa, 5:30 p.m.

#### Feb. 9

Free Lunch, BCM, 11:30 a.m. – 12:45 p.m. Home Mavs Baseball vs. Rose State, 2 p.m. Runner Girls, Wesley House, 4 p.m. – 5 p.m.

#### Feb. 10

Northern Encounter, Renfro Center, 9 a.m. – 11 a.m., Tonkawa Free Student Lunch, Wesley House, 11 a.m. – 1:30 p.m., Tonkawa Free Student/Staff Lunch, BCM, 11:30 a.m. – 12:45 p.m., Enid Board of Regents Meeting, Renfro Center, 1 p.m., Tonkawa Home Mavs Softball vs. Mid-America JV, 1 p.m. Roustabouts Homecoming Show, KPAC, 7:30 p.m., Tonkawa

#### Feb. 11

Home Jets and Lady Jets Basketball vs. NEO, 5:30 p.m. Away Mavs and Lady Mavs Basketball vs. Connors, 5:30 p.m.

#### Feb. 12

Home Jets Baseball vs. Iowa Central, 6 p.m.

For additional information, visit the following links: NOC Calendar

## Roustabout Homecoming Show Feb. 10

The Northern Oklahoma Division of Fine Arts presents the NOC Roustabouts Homecoming Show Wednesday, Feb. 10 at 7:30 p.m. in the Kinzer Performing Arts Center.

Admission is free but children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult.

NOC is practicing social distancing and face masks are required.



Sunday:

## Cafeteria Menu for February 8<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021

#### <u>Chili Cheese Fries!</u> Served Monday – Thursday nights in the cafeteria.

Monday February 8 <sup>th</sup>	Lunch: Beef Enchiladas Grilled Cheese	<u>Dinner:</u> Chicken Noodle Casserole Chili Dogs
Tuesday February 9 <sup>th</sup>	Roast Turkey Tostadas	Chicken Fajitas Mac & Cheese w/ lil Smokies
Wednesday	Chicken King Ranch Casserole	Fried Pork Chops
February 10 <sup>th</sup>	Polish Sausage on a Bun	Pepper Steak
Thursday February 11 <sup>th</sup>	Beef Stroganoff Zucchini Enchiladas	Chicken Rotel Turkey Wraps
Friday February 12 <sup>th</sup>	Fried Fish/Fish Tacos Chicken Breast	Chef's Choice

#### Chicken Tortilla Soup Soup @ Lunch

#### Menu subject to change

All meals served with the following: Vegetable, Starch, Bread (Dinner Roll, Breadstick, etc.), Salad Bar,\* Sandwich Bar,\* Pizza Bar, Assorted Desserts, Assorted Fountain Drinks, Kool-Aid and Tea (\* = Vegetarian Option Available)

#### Dining Hours, Monday - Friday:

 Lunch:
 11:30 AM – 1:30 PM
 \$8.50 (+ tax)

 Dinner:
 5:15 PM – 6:30 PM
 \$8.50 (+ tax)

 Friday Dinner:
 4:45 PM – 5:45 PM
 \$8.50 (+ tax)

 Saturday:
 Breakfast 9:00-9:30am / Lunch 12-12:30pm / Dinner 5:00-5:30pm

Breakfast 9:00-9:30am / Lunch 12-12:30pm / No Dinner

<sup>\*\*10</sup> Meal Card Available to faculty/staff/community members for \$75.00 + Tax\*\*

## NOC Enid Student Athletes of the Week

NOC Enid Basketball players Abraham Rodriguez and Hollie Wood were named NOC Student Athletes of the Week for Feb. 1.

Rodriguez is a sophomore from Enid, Oklahoma, and Wood is a sophomore from Pryor, Oklahoma.

In two games, Rodriguez scored 17 points and shot 60 percent from 3-point range.

"When we recruited Abe out of Enid, we knew he was a shooter," said coach Chris Gerber. "Now as a sophomore, we can count on Abe to do all the little things right. He is a great leader, takes charges and gets tough rebounds, and has improved being able to take good shots within the offense."

Wood averaged 13 points in two NOC Enid contests.



Hollie Wood and Abraham Rodriguez

"Hollie has been our spark plug from the beginning," said coach Kelli Jennings. "What people see on the floor during a game is exactly what I get to see during practice every day. She's the kind of player every coach wants and needs on their team. I never have to wonder if Hollie is going to go hard or execute what's been asked of her. She made some big time plays at Eastern that kept us in the game. She's a gift to the team."

## Send your NOC love stories



It's time to start collecting your love stories.

Did you or someone you know meet your spouse at NOC? NOC would love to share your story! Contact Kim Ochoa at 580-628-6473 or kim.ochoa@noc.edu

