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NCTA Dean's Message  
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## **Careers and caring communities**

CURTIS, Neb. – Career and leadership development certainly comes to the forefront this time of year as high school students are visiting college campuses, making decisions about their academic futures.



*NCTA students can interact with employers at the NCTA Career Fair on Thursday in the Nebraska Agriculture Industry Education Center on campus. (NCTA News photo)*

Simultaneously, some Aggie students from the Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture are returning from National FFA Convention with awards garnered through perseverance during their high schools careers. Next they are bolstered by searches into what lies ahead in the workforce or as they continue postsecondary education pursuits.

We see that hard work can reap benefits through scholarships. Accumulated experience in high school and college work study or on-the-job-training may result in early job offers for fulltime employment.

On Thursday of this week, NCTA hosts its annual Career Fair, a time for employers to connect with resume-carrying and job-seeking young adults. NCTA

Aggie students have many opportunities as workforce demand is strong.

Employers are invited to post job openings throughout the year at the NCTA web site. See a link under the heading of Current Students at [ncta.unl.edu](http://ncta.unl.edu), or specifically at <https://ncta.unl.edu/full-part-time-jobs>.

If you are seeking employment in agriculture, you might also check out the web site as it is open to the public. Another shared opportunity with our community is an open door to the NCTA Career Fair on Thursday morning, from 9 a.m. to noon, at the Nebraska Agriculture Industry Education Center.

## **Community forum**

I was pleased to see many community members, alumni and stakeholders join us Sunday to converse with the University of Nebraska presidential candidate Walter “Ted” Carter Jr. during the open forum.

This was an effective method for communicating with the University of Nebraska. We counted about 50 in attendance, a good showing as area producers were still harvesting crops. Favorable comments

were shared with University leadership in having this opportunity to meet Mr. Carter and for regional stakeholders to engage in the review process.

Thanks to those who attended, and to those with further interest in providing comments. NCTA was the second campus for Ted and his wife, Lynda, to visit during this 30-day public review period. To provide more input, see the University of Nebraska web site for more information at: <https://nebraska.edu/president-search>

### **Caring community**

A public food pantry will offered on Saturday, Nov. 9<sup>th</sup> located the NCTA Student Activity Center (also known as The Barn) from 9-11:30 a.m. The distribution is open to anyone. It is coordinated with Food Bank for the Heartland, which travels to multiple locations in Nebraska and is staffed by volunteers from the college with coordination locally by Cindy Fritsche, head of NCTA Food Service.

The NCTA Collegiate FFA and 4-H Club invites everyone to the Curtis Memorial Community Center on Monday evening, beginning at 5:30 p.m. The students will have a benefit spaghetti feed open to the public. It supports our 4-H and FFA club students with costs for travel to state and national activities.

### **Veterans salute**

We are grateful to the many veterans and their families in Frontier County, and to those in active duty from our ranks here at the campus and in our communities. Thank you to all who have served for our freedoms in these United States. God Bless America.

### **Upcoming events**

- Nov. 7: NCTA Career Fair, 9 a.m. to noon, Ed Center
- Nov. 9: Mobile Food Pantry, 9-11:30 a.m., Student Activity Center
- Nov. 9-10: Laura Stimatze Stock Dog Clinic, 8 a.m., LTC Arena
- Nov. 11: Collegiate FFA & 4-H Spaghetti Feed, 5:30-7 p.m., Curtis Community Center
- Nov. 13: District 11 FFA CDE, 8 a.m., NCTA LTC
- Nov. 14: District 9 FFA Contest, 8 a.m., NCTA Ed Center
- Nov. 16: NCTA Pet Spa Day, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Vet Tech Clinic
- Nov. 15-16: Sherman Tegtmeier Horsemanship Clinic, 8 a.m., LTC arena
- Nov. 18: NCTA Discovery Day, 8:30 a.m.-2 p.m., Ed Center

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