

## 2015-16 Metro Community College – Construction Career Days Information

Metropolitan Community College hosts Construction Career Days at the college's South Omaha Campus, Industrial Training Center. Construction Career Days offers students opportunities to experience real-life hands-on activities, meet the college faculty, and talk with industry professionals in the field - all at the same time. At each college location, students will visit 5-7 stations that give them a real world look and feel into a set of career options for their future.

Some examples of stations students will be able to choose from include robotics, welding, carpentry, electro-mechanical systems, commercial truck driving, heavy equipment operation, surveying, drafting, electrical, plumbing, and many, many more! It is open to students grades eight through twelve.

There is no cost to attend thanks to amazing industry sponsors, such as Midland's Contracting, NMC, and a number of other construction related employers from across the state. The event is a result of a partnership with Integrated Global Dimensions, Nebraska Department of Roads, Nebraska Department of Education, the Nebraska Department of Economic Development, the US DOT Federal Highway Administration and the Nebraska Construction Industry Council.

The Nebraska Construction Career Days are an excellent way for students to get a 'hands-on' experience in the construction industry. This event is designed for any student and their parents to explore and see the awesome opportunities in the 'new age' construction industry and the rewarding career that can be obtained," says Tony Glenn, Education Specialist for the Skilled and Technical Sciences Career Field, at the Nebraska Department of Education.

Careers in construction offer rewarding jobs that also offer a great salary - not to mention most often very little student debt. In many cases, students can earn while they learn as an apprentice, intern or an on-the-job trainee.

Construction Career Days provides students the opportunity to talk with future employers about job shadowing, scholarships, internships, and starting pay out of school as well as advancement opportunities.

The demand for employees in the construction and construction related fields is projected by the Nebraska Department of Labor to increase over 25% from 2012 to 2022 (2.3% annually).

The events will generally run the length of the school day. Please visit the project website: <http://nebraskaconstructioncareerdays.com/> for more information and to sign up online today!

Space is limited to 100 students at each site.

You may also follow us on Facebook this fall at: <https://www.facebook.com/nebraskaccd> where we will be featuring photos, videos, and more from each of the locations as we bring Construction Career days to Nebraska!

### **Registration for Nebraska Construction Career Days is Open!**

Each location is limited to 100 students on a first come first serve basis.

Construction Career Days are for students currently enrolled in grades 8, 9, 10, 11, or 12 for the 2015-2016 academic school year.

Students from all educational programs (including students currently in home school) are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Parents and guardians are also welcome to attend the events and meet the faculty and industry professionals, watch the students, and tour the campus while they are on-site. Please designate on the registration form that you will be attending with your student.

Teachers who are bringing students: register individually so we can make sure and plan for name badges, station interests, and lunch.