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DC WEST ROBOTICS: WORLD ROBOT CONFERENCE CHAMPIONS!

It's not every day you hear about a group of Nebraska students who've earned the opportunity to compete in China, let alone come home champions. The DC West Robotics team, led by 7/8 Math Teacher & Robotics Club Sponsor, Dan Maline, can say they have!

First off, anyone who knows even a little bit about robotics knows that Nebraska has some of the best teams around, with a ton of competitions, and the opportunity to compete on a national, and even world level with anyone. Locally, there are hundreds of VEX robotics teams in Nebraska alone.

Dan himself has been involved with robotics in the Omaha area since 2009, working with various schools and students as he opened the National Robotics Academy. This led to the beginnings of a relationship with DC West, where his children now attend school. At the time, his son was a 4th grader, so Dan gathered a few interested kids together to try a new robotics platform, and the program has grown from there. Some middle school teams were developed, the groups had quick success at various regional events, and became middle school state champions.

From there, it all started to blossom. The kids began to excel, and pick up really good skills. They took runner up at the Heartland Regional (formerly the Nebraska State Championship, but now includes Iowa as well), which opened the door to be invited to China, along with eight other US teams.

Now, being offered the opportunity to go to China is not something you can easily pass up. China prides themselves on being the best, and rarely lets those from outside countries in. The trip itself was paid for by local and national sponsors like 3M, with Dan, the four students who make up the team, and two parents making the trip. (Note: three of the four students attend DC West, the fourth attends Millard South and options into DC West for Robotics).

Once in China, the format matches two robots vs two robots. Then, for the qualifying

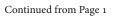
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DC West Robotics (continued)





(L to R) Troy Ogden, Avery Hoffman, Coach Dan Maline, Jay Goldapp & Dillon Saathoff, at the bottom of the Great Wall!



matches, the top twenty-four teams (in three team alliances) advance to dual best two out of three in quarterfinals, semifinals, and finals. DC West was actually paired with two teams from Shanghai during this portion of the tournament.

As Dan explained, once there, in competition, everything seemed to just go DC West's way. It was an up and down tournament for a lot of teams, including DC West, but when the elimination matches came about, they were incredibly successful. In the end, DC West was the World Robot Conference champions, and beat the reigning world champions in the finals!

School Board President, Kelly Hinrichs stated "The passion that Dan has for what he does and the drive he has to help build this program has been phenomenal ... from simply starting the program, to now world robot conference champions! It is a testament to our small town school that we can go up against anyone in the world and compete."

Dan noted too, that in robotics, you work on somewhat of an annual schedule. In the US, teams get a new game, or assignment each April and have plenty of time to brainstorm, design, build, test, and apply their ideas before taking their finished robots to competitions. The schedule for China was a lot tighter, giving the team a much smaller window of time to go from start to finish. This meant some 8-10 hour evenings for the team knowing they'd be facing the world's best, who would already be in midseason form.

All in all, Dan explained that the entire process was a phenomenal experience for the kids, and made the team, and program so much better, even putting them ahead of schedule for this year's local events. If invited, they would jump at the opportunity to do this again.

Kelly closed proudly stating, "This is one of DC West's biggest accomplishment's, period! And we know this is just the start of what they will continue to accomplish."

"Robotics has literally taken me around the world." - Troy Ogden (DC West Senior)

"The competition was really tough and we made some great progress with our robot throughout the time there. This tournament will help us going forward this season."

- Avery Hoffmann (Millard South Senior)

"The trip was amazing. We went to try and win...and we did!" - Jay Goldapp (DC West Junior)

"It was an overwhelming experience and we all loved it." - Dillon Saathoff (DC West Freshman)

> To learn more, see this year's latest game, or get in contact with Dan about incorporating robotics into your district, visit

https://www.dcwest.org/vnews/display.v/SEC/Athletics/Activities%7CMS%20Activities%3E%3ERobotics





Pioneer Academy Builds Upon Successful First Year



Originally run in the Nebraska City News-Press

After a successful first year, the Pioneer Academy is ready to offer eligible juniors and seniors credits for both high school graduation and junior college courses, as well as providing useful job skills in health services, welding, construction and information technology.

Health and welding classes are currently taught at Nebraska City High School, while the Pioneer Academy houses the information technology and construction classes. Superintendent Jeff Edwards said last year's success of the construction component of the Pioneer Academy led Southeast Community College to offer the courses and job skills at other locations around southeast Nebraska.



"We've had lots of requests for services and projects from the construction students," said Edwards, including a custom-built front door for a home in Percival, Iowa; plaques for last year's Nebraska City Middle School year-end awards assembly; and a table at the MRB-Lewis and Clark Center. In another part of the academy, information technology students solved a problem that saved the district about \$25 in equipment replacement. The IT students were able to use the academy's 3-D printer to replicate a plastic brace on a piece of construction equipment, he said, rather than having to purchase a replacement part.

Pioneer Academy students complete an application process to enter the academy and they complete portfolios, write resumes and create personal websites during their time in the academy. Students in the SCC service area can explore 10 different career pathways if they qualify to participate in the Southeast Nebraska Career Academy Partnership.

Areas of study not currently offered in Nebraska City include agriculture, business, criminal justice, and early and secondary childhood education, said Edwards, who added that additional areas of study will be added to the Pioneer Academy in the future. Through an arrangement with SCC and the generosity of the Steinhart and Nelson Foundations, students do not have to pay anything to take classes at the Pioneer Academy.

Students who successfully complete two years of courses at the Pioneer Academy are also eligible to bypass SCC wait lists, said Edwards After the needs of the Nebraska City High School students are met, said Edwards, students from other Otoe County high schools, as well as home-schooled students, can apply for remaining openings at the Pioneer Academy.

"The Pioneer Academy is a great opportunity for all students in our district. The skills learned will allow students to go straight to the workforce or college with the knowledge of what their field of interest will be like. We truly thank the Steinhart and Nelson Foundations for the financial support given to all students in the program. As the parent of a 1st year Academy student I see the excitement of learning new skills, and hearing the importance of completing the college homework. Being able to work hands on in the Welding Shop is a great learning opportunity that my son will carry with him into his Agriculture field of interest when he enters college. We thank the staff, board, and community for supporting this new learning opportunity for all students in Nebraska City."

- Teri Stukenholtz, NCPS Board Member



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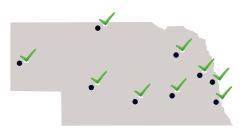
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Some quick takeaways from this year's AMM's!

- From west to east, up north and down south, we blanketed the state. 1,700+ miles!
- Two board members received their Level 10 Award of Achievement this year, Bob Sykes of Wilber-Clatonia Public Schools, and Ron Pearson of ESU 3!
- The amount of board members with 20+ years experience was s sight to see!
- Six boards received the President's Award for their collective volunteer time and commitment to public education in Nebraska! (ESU 3, Gretna, Kimball, Laurel-Concord-Coleridge, Nebraska City, and Norris)
- Congrats to all of the boards who had 100% attendance at these meetings!













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99th Annual State Education Conference



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PRE-CONFERENCE WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15 | 1:00 TO 4:00 PM - Putting Your Strengths to Work -- The State Can No Longer Wait: Family Engagement & Early Childhood Education -To add a Pre-Conference Session to your registration call NASB at 800-422-4572

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS "The Power of One: How One Attitude, One Action and One Person Can Change the World" "Because I Said I Would" "Creating a Thriving School District"

> EXHIBIT HALL The Exhibit Hall opens at 4:00 PM on Wednesday, November 15, with an Exhibitor Reception from 4:00 to 6:00 PM

MENTOR PROGRAM FOR NEW BOARD MEMBERS

NASB will again provide a mentor program for new board members attending State Conference. The program will connect the new board member with a veteran board member. The group will meet Thursday at 7:15 AM in Dapper II, prior to the start of the General Session. Sign up your board members for the State Conference through the NASB online database. Sign up to be a Mentee or a Mentor by contacting Shari Becker at <u>sbecker@nasbonline.org</u> or 800-422-4572!

STUDENTS

Students from YOUR district are invited to participate in the Classroom Showcase! The Classroom Showcase is an opportunity for students and teachers to demonstrate projects and programs that reflect the integration of technology in curriculum. The Classroom Showcase is scheduled for 8:00 to 11:45 AM, Friday, November 17. Contact Julie Moore at <u>executivedirector@netasite.org</u> with questions or to sign up.







JOHN O'LEARY







RSVP: 2017 Delegate Assembly ... Be Heard!

The Advocacy Handout for your review prior to the 2017 Delegate Assembly is now posted at www.NASBonline.org.

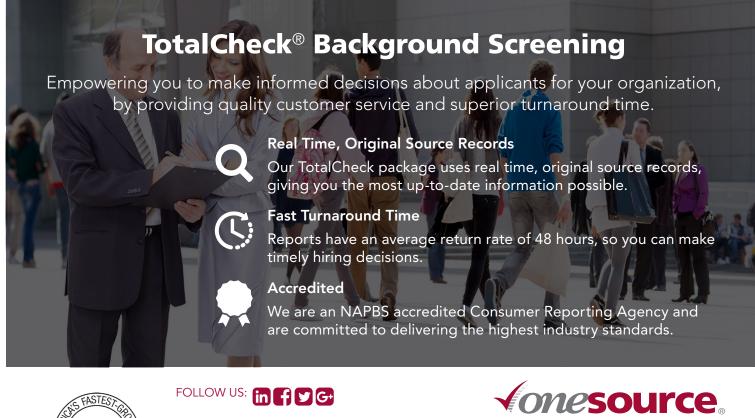
This year's Delegate Assembly to determine NASB's legislative and leadership initiatives for 2018 will take place Friday, November 17, at 8:00 AM, in conjunction with the State Education Conference.

To better prepare you and your board's voting representative for the Delegate Assembly, please download, review, and bring the Advocacy Handout with you to La Vista. All items within the Advocacy Handout will be considered by this Assembly. Each board should select one board member to represent the district or ESU as the voting delegate, although multiple members from each board may attend. As a school board member, this is YOUR chance to be heard and help craft the 2018 legislative and leadership initiatives to be led by NASB.

Why is it important for your district to be represented at the 2017 Delegate Assembly?

- The Delegate Assembly determines NASB's 2018 legislative and leadership agenda.
- The Delegate Assembly is a key cog in securing laws, regulations, and a vision in Nebraska to benefit public education.
- The Delegate Assembly is where your voice can be heard.
- The Delegate Assembly is your governance meeting for the entire year.
- The Delegate Assembly allows for equal representation. One district, one vote.

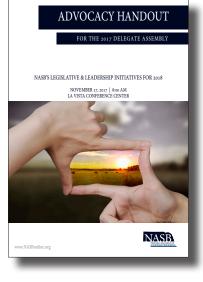
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Entrepreneurship Best Practices Summit

November 2 | Holiday Inn Kearney

The third annual Summit will bring together educators, economic and community developers, policy makers and others interested in supporting and growing Nebraska's entrepreneurial ecosystem. The conference focuses on sharing and learning best practices that support entrepreneurs and build local and regional entrepreneurial ecosystems. Learn more and register at <u>www.eshipbestpracticessummit.com</u>



Sparq Data Solutions Open House

November 14 | 7:00 to 11:00 PM | Nebraska Brewing Company - La Vista

Join Sparq Data at the Nebraska Brewing Company in La Vista Tuesday evening, prior to the kick off of the State Education Conference. The event will be from 7:00 to 11:00 PM, and space is limited, so please RSVP to Nicole Kobus at nksbonline.org. See you there!

2017 State School Foundation Conference | November 14-15 | La Vista

The Nebraska Association of Public School Foundations will host our annual statewide conference on Tuesday and Wednesday, November 14-15 at the LaVista Conference Center, prior to the State Education Conference. To view the agenda, learn more, and to register, visit <u>www.napsf.org</u>.



99th Annual State Education Conference - Leadership Starts Here

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We are just weeks away! This annual conference offers school leaders the latest in educational information and technology through such activities as preconference workshops, keynote presentations, breakout sessions, and commercial exhibits. 2017 keynotes include Alex Sheen, Tom Matson and John O'Leary. Check out the full program online and we look forward to seeing you in La Vista!

3 days ... 2 Pre-conference Sessions ... 3 Keynote speakers ... 52 breakout sessions 90+ Exhibitors ... 1,000 Networking Opportunities



Sparq Data will once again have a meeting room reserved at State Conference for demonstrations and trainings on the Paperless Board Meetings and the North Star Staff Negotiations software. To schedule a time that works best for you, please call or email Nicole Kobus at 402-817-0229, or <u>nkobus@NASBonline.org</u>.

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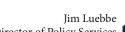
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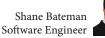


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Milford's Larry Lindquist Recognized for his service to Public Education

Earlier this month, NASB had the honor to attend the Milford school board meeting, and surprise long time board member, and longer time State Education Conference attendee (40+ years) Larry Lindquist with a plaque as he retires from the board.

"Thanks for recognizing a great educational leader! He will be missed." Kevin Wingard, Superintendent

"What a career. Thanks for all you have done for kids over your educational career Larry!" Cameron Soester, Assistant Principal



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