

# DUAL CREDIT NEWSLETTER

## SCC'S CAREER ACADEMY IN FALLS CITY EMPOWERS STUDENTS FOR FUTURE SUCCESS



The SCC Learning Center in Falls City, Nebraska, offers a range of programs to prepare students for successful careers. It provides hands-on learning in Agriculture, Construction, Education, Healthcare, and Welding. Dual credit students from local high schools can take courses at the SCC Learning Center, gaining practical skills and earning college credits.



The Career Academy focuses on real-world applications, such as Certified Nursing Assistant courses in healthcare and specialized welding training. These programs meet industry demands and give students a competitive edge. The learning center also supports students with dual credit classes, online learning, and comprehensive student services.



The Career Academy in Falls City is set to become a cornerstone of education and workforce development in Southeast Nebraska, providing students with the tools they need for success.

# MEET THE SENCAP GRADUATE: KAYLIN SMITH

Kaylin Smith loves helping people but she didn't know what career would be best for her. As a student at Sterling High School she enrolled in Southeast Community College's SENCAP program which played a pivotal role towards pursuing a career in the health science field.

"Despite knowing I always wanted to help people, I had a hard time truly narrowing down what degree I wanted to pursue," Smith said. "This changed once I took classes through the SENCAP program in high school. I was able to explore a wide range of careers in healthcare and figure out what was the right fit for me."

[Read the full article here](#)



Kaylin Smith

## NEW FACILITIES AT SCC

The Sandhills Global Technology Center will feature labs for Biotechnology, Computer Information Technology, Design & Drafting, and Electronic Systems Technology. It aims to address workforce needs with advanced technologies like a data center and cybersecurity labs. The center will be opening in January of 2025.



Sandhills Global Technology Center



Welding Technology Center

The Welding Technology Center includes 180 welding bays, interactive classrooms, and advanced labs. It aims to meet the high demand for skilled welders in Nebraska, providing top-notch training and education to prepare students for various welding careers. The center is set to open in the fall of 2025.

# TEAM MEMBER SPOTLIGHT JOE SAJEVIC

I'm just finishing my eighth year as the SENCAP Coordinator for the Northern Region, which includes several high schools. Before this role, I spent 23 years as a high school Science teacher and coach, 2 years as an assistant principal, and 11 years as the principal at Fremont Senior High. Throughout my career, I've prioritized providing students with real-life applications for their classroom learning, and the SENCAP program has exceeded my expectations in this regard. It offers high school students opportunities to explore various career options and earn valuable college credits, which has been incredibly rewarding to witness.

The Learning Center at Wahoo and Saunders County Hospital offers a Certified Nursing Assistant Class twice a year, helping students secure part-time jobs and gain healthcare career experience. SCC welding instruction is also available, providing a head start in this high-demand field. Students can earn SCC credits in Agriculture, Business, and Energy. Additionally, job shadowing and field trips offer valuable skills and career exposure. I'm excited to continue working with both new and returning students.



Joe Sajevic  
SENCAP Coordinator

## IMPORTANT DATES FOR SPRING

	3-week Jan 2 - Jan 17	14-week Jan 21 - May 16	1st 8-week Jan 21 - March 21	2nd 8-week March 24 - May 16	1st 5-week Jan 21 - Feb 21	2nd 5-week March 24 - April 25
No shows due	Jan 3 3 pm	Jan 30 3 pm	Jan 27 3 pm	March 28 3 pm	Jan 24 3 pm	March 27 3 pm
Midterms due	Jan 10 12 pm	March 20 12 pm	Feb 20 12 pm	April 21 12 pm	Feb 6 12 pm	April 9 12 pm
Last day to withdraw	Varies Refer to Self-Service					
Grades Due	Jan 21 12 pm	May 19 12 pm	March 24 12 pm	May 19 12 pm	Feb 24 12 pm	April 28 12 pm
Graduation applications due	February 14, 2025 5 pm					

## HIGH SCHOOL GROUP VISIT DAYS

February 26th (Lincoln & Milford)  
March 4th (Beatrice)  
March 26th (Lincoln & Milford)  
April 1st (Lincoln & Milford)

## 8TH GRADE GROUP VISIT DAYS

March 25th (Lincoln & Milford)  
April 9th (Lincoln & Milford)  
April 23rd (Lincoln & Milford)  
April 25th (Beatrice)

## DISCOVERY DAYS

### Discovery Days - 9:30 - 1:15 pm

#### Beatrice Campus

Friday, February 10th  
Friday, March 19th

#### Lincoln Campus

Friday, February 28th  
Friday, April 4th

#### Milford Campus

Friday, March 7th  
Monday, April 14th

## CAREER DAYS

### Career Days - 9:00 am to 2:00 pm

- John Deere Day (Milford) - February 5th **8am - 5pm**
- Technology Day (Lincoln) - February 12th
- Transportation Day (Milford) - February 18th
- Writing Workshop (Lincoln) - February 21st
- Powersports Career Expo (Milford) - March 4th **5pm - 7 pm**
- Healthcare day (Lincoln) - March 20th



## SENCAP GUIDEBOOK

### [2024-2025 SENCAP Guidebook](#)

For high school students in SCC's 15-county service area. The guidebook includes 17 pathways and 16 certificates and new classes!

## SENCAP RESOURCE GUIDE

### [2024-2025 SENCAP & TCA Resource Guide](#)

The SENCAP & TCA Resource Guide supports dual credit students by offering crucial details on applications, registration assistance, and much more.

# Financial Support

**Learn to Dream Scholarship** allows economically disadvantaged students to complete up to 60 semester credit hours for Lincoln students and 30 credit hours for students in the 15-county area of the Southeast Community College campuses in Beatrice, Lincoln, and Milford, without paying tuition and fees. Students attending high school in SCC's 15-county area may be eligible! Learn to Dream is accepting applications from December 1, 2024 - March 31, 2025.

**Access College Early (ACE)** Scholarship program pays tuition and mandatory fees for qualified, low-income high school students to enroll in college courses from Nebraska colleges or universities, either through dual enrollment or early enrollment agreements with these institutions.

## **Financial Aid and Scholarships**

As always, our financial aid representatives specialize in helping make education at Southeast Community College affordable. Applications are open for high school seniors from December 1st to March 1st.

## Faculty Liaison's Corner



My name is Cindy Lien and I am the new Faculty Liaison for SENCAP. I have spent the last year working as a Coordinator with schools in Gage, Jefferson, and Thayer counties. Now, instead of working on the student side of dual credit, I will be working with the high school faculty in all 15 counties of the SENCAP service area. Prior to my time at SCC, I was a high school Business teacher at LPS for 36 years until my retirement in 2022. As a Faculty Liaison, I will be working with more of the CTE instructors but will also be involved with Arts and Science instructors. I look forward to working with you and being available to assist you with any questions you may have as it relates to teaching dual-credit classes for SCC.

### Cindy's Tips

- Upload Course Information Documents and course syllabi for all Spring semester classes before January
- Submit your no-show roster once your course begins, even if teaching only high school students
- You will receive notifications from Nancy McConkey with specific grade reporting deadlines

Visit the [SCC website](#) for answers to frequently asked questions

Contact Cindy at [clien@southeast.edu](mailto:clien@southeast.edu)

