

Weekly Log



September 8, 2025

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

MONDAY, SEPT 8
TUESDAY, SEPT 9

- Fall Career Fair & DCAC
- Book Read

WEDNESDAY, SEPT 10

- Bookstore closed
- KBTO Live Break, 8:30 am

THURSDAY, SEPT 11

- Jack Fest
- College Council

FRIDAY, SEPT 12

- Jack Fest
- KKWZ & KZZJ Dakota College Weekly, 8:30 am
- Volleyball vs Assiniboin @7pm

SATURDAY, SEPT 13

- Turtle Trot
- * Lake Metigoshe 5k hosted by DCB Logrollers

	SEPTEMBER
Sept 16	Constitution Day
Sept 16	Blood Drive
Sept 20	Softball Alumni Event/Games
Sept 21	Baseball Alumni Event/Games
Sept 25	College Council
Sept 27	Evergreen
Sept 30	Botno Cmty Rocks

Tuesday, Sept 9th will be a busy day on campus. DCB will have high school students on campus for a College Fair from 9am-10:30am in the gymnasium. They will also be sticking around afterward for the NCEC portion, where they will be attending break-out sessions until about noon.

- Kendra

STUDENT DISTRIBUTION LIST

dcb_students@dakotacollege.edu

WORKING PARENTS CHILD CARE RELIEF PROGRAM

Through Minot State University, DCB is participating in the ND Working Parents Child Care Relief benefit for employees. DCB employees *may* be eligible to receive a state match for childcare expenses through the **North Dakota Working Parents Child Care Relief (WPCCR)** program.

The application process for the **Working Parents Child Care Relief (WPCCR)** program administered through the State of ND Health and Human Services (HHS) division, is changing. Employees working at campuses within the **North Dakota University System (NDUS)**. If you are interested in applying, you may do so, for the **Working Parents**

Child Care Relief (WPCCR) program.

What You Need to Do:

Go to the [HHS employee portal](#) and click on the Parents tab.

Click on the Participating Working Parents—First Time Working Parents application (unless you've applied prior)

Use the Minot State University employer code: ER-0001217 for application

Wait for eligibility confirmation and status updates from HHS.

Additional Information:

Payments for September WPCCR-eligible participants

will be processed and on the **October paycheck**.

To receive September payments, you must enroll by September 30th.

HR/Payroll will provide confirmation and further communication once your application has been reviewed and approved.

Benefitted employees who meet the above criteria are eligible to participate. Part-time and temporary employees may also be eligible, based on a consistent work schedule of 20 or more hours per week that is expected to cover 20 or more weeks in a year.

CAMPUS CONNECTION QUERY TRAINING

The Campus Connections Team will be hosting an online Basic Query training class coming up on September 24-26, 2025. The class, developed in Blackboard, is free and conducted at your own pace over a three-day period. An instructor is available should you need help, consider

it a Computer Based Training (CBT) with live tech support.

We have 12 slots available, if you or someone you know is interested, please reply just to cts.query.training@ndus.edu to avoid excessive e-mail to the group. Please reply before

Wednesday September 17, noon.

Additional details be sent to the students.

- Cheryl Hoffmann, NDUS Exec Administrative Support Specialist

FALL MANDATORY TRAININGS

As part of our ongoing commitment to fostering a safe and respectful learning and working environment, staff and faculty are required to complete **Title IX training** through SafeColleges and **Theft, Fraud, Waste, and Abuse/Code of Conduct training** through Blackboard.

Title IX training provides important information on preventing and responding to dis-

crimination, harassment, and misconduct, and is a vital component of our campus compliance and culture of respect.

Theft/Code of Conduct training provides knowledge to protect us from legal and financial risks providing a workplace culture built on trust with employees and external partners.

Log in details will be sent to everyone via email.

If you have any questions or experience issues with your logging in, reach out to:

Laura Halvorson—Title IX Training

Sandy Hageness—Theft, Fraud Training/Code of Conduct Training



RANKED IN TOP 3 BEST NURSING SCHOOLS IN ND



As part Dakota College at Bottineau (DCB) has been ranked among the top three nursing schools in North Dakota by *RegisteredNursing.org*, a resource that supports current and prospective nurses with educational and career guidance.

This recognition places DCB as the highest-ranked two-year institution on the list, with only four-year universities ranking higher—underscoring the exceptional quality and performance of DCB's nursing program within the state.

DCB's nursing program is part of the Dakota Nursing Program, a consortium of ND community colleges offering a curriculum for both a Practical Nursing Certification and an Associ-

ate in Applied Science (AAS) in Nursing. These programs provide students with hands-on clinical experience and the opportunity to complete their training in as little as one year, enabling a faster transition into the healthcare workforce.

Graduates of the Practical Nursing Certificate program are eligible to take the NCLEX-PN and apply for licensure as Licensed Practical Nurses (LPNs). Many students go on to complete the AAS in Nursing, which qualifies them to take the NCLEX-RN and pursue licensure as Registered Nurses (RNs). Paige Baade, Assistant Dean for Nursing & Health Professions, "This recognition affirms the dedication of our faculty, students, and clinical partners. Dakota College at

Bottineau is proud to be shaping the next generation of nurses who are ready to lead, serve, and strengthen healthcare across our state. It is incredibly rewarding to see our mission come to life through this recognition."

At a time when North Dakota is facing a critical shortage of qualified healthcare professionals, DCB is helping to meet this demand by graduating more than fifty nursing students annually. These graduates consistently demonstrate excellence, with a 100% NCLEX pass rate in the 2023-2024 reporting cycle.

DCB remains committed to providing accessible, high-quality nursing education that prepares students to serve and strengthen healthcare systems across the state.

UPCOMING ANNUAL ENROLLMENT



This year annual enrollments begins on October 20 and ends on November 7. To make this season a success, please

review your personal information in the Human Resource portal, link found under Faculty and Staff on our website.

Log in to the Employee Self Service

section and review your Personal Details tile.

Cassie Loard, Aflac representative will be on campus October 28th.

A FEW NEW FACES AT

Foundation Director: Tina Webb, starting Sept 16



Farm Management Education Instructor, Ashley Abrahamson

Ashley grew up in New Salem, ND on a diversified farming and ranching operation. After high school graduation, she attended NDSU where she received her BS in Animal Science, with minors in Agribusiness and Equine Science. While at NDSU, she was a member of the traveling rodeo team competing in breakaway roping, goat tying, and barrel racing. It was also at NDSU that she met her future husband, Kyle Abrahamson.

Today, Kyle and Ashley manage their own farming, ranching, and trucking operation by Berthold, ND. Their farming operation primarily consists of raising forage crops for our cattle, while our cattle operation consists of a commercial cow-calf herd and a backgrounding operation. This is in addition to what might be called the "nontraditional" herd that they refer to as the "rodeo" cows and bulls. Kyle's family has been producing rodeos and raising bucking bulls for various levels of competition for several decades, and they have

been contracting timed event stock at rodeos in North Dakota and surrounding states for the past 3 years.

Outside of work, ranch life, and rodeos, their two young daughters do a very adequate job of keeping her on her toes! Kwincy just turned 3, and Kyndall is 16 months old. She also still enjoys riding horse and working on sewing or craft projects when time permits.



Dental Programs Director, Rhonda Edwardson

Rhonda has been married for 35 years to Brad. They have three children, Brandon, Ashley and Spencer. Ashley is married to Tanner and they have a son Fischer. She enjoys spending time with family.

She graduated from Rolette High School and then attended Minot State College receiving Business Management degree. Her husband was in the Army for 4 years. When returning to North Dakota, Rhonda went back to school for Dental Hygiene. She worked in private practice for 7 years, then started teaching. She moved to Minot in June starting a career with DCB.

She enjoys the students and finds it very rewarding to see them reach their professional goals of becoming dental professionals.



English Instructor, Halle Serhienko

Halle was raised in Glenburn, ND, graduating from high school in 2012. She attended DCB her first two years of college. During that time she met her husband, Seth. After graduating with an associate's degree, she transferred to MSUM to complete her bachelor's in English Education.

She graduated in 2017 and started teaching career in Rothsay, MN while continuing to live in Fargo, ND. She moved schools to Kindred, ND after two years in Rothsay. After her first year in Kindred, Seth and Halle were married in July at Lake Metigoshe. She finished her second year in Kindred, and we decided to move back to Bottineau. She taught at Bottineau High School the past four years. During their time in Bottineau, they have welcomed two beautiful daughters Laela (April 2023) and Ada (August 2025).

More Bios to come next week.

DAKOTA COLLEGE AT BOTTINEAU

Tuesday, September 16th
11:00 - 3:00

Vitalant Blood Mobile

Contact Vitalant at (877)258-4825 or scan the QR Code to make your lifesaving appointment. Also ask her about our Honor Cord Program!

This is Zavion's story.



Zavion lives with a painful genetic condition called sickle cell disease. Sickle cell disease is a red blood cell disorder that causes red blood cells to become misshapen or "sickled," blocking and damaging small blood vessels, leading to significant pain and organ damage. Blood transfusions are one of the most critical treatments for sickle cell patients.

Due to his disease, Zavion missed countless days of school, which made attending his high school graduation all the more meaningful a milestone celebration!

"Thanks to...all those who donated blood, my son is going to college," Zavion's mom Renee said. "We are forever grateful for all the people we don't even know who continue to donate blood to help sick children thrive."

First-Time Donors are needed. As our donor pool lessens, the need does not. Your one donation could save up to 3 lives!

Each time you give blood, you give patients more precious time to spend with their loved ones and that's a big deal. When you donate Sept. 8-30, your generosity could pay off big too: you'll be entered for a chance to win one of two \$10,000 gift cards!

Because of you, life doesn't stop.
vitalant.org



CLASSIC FALL FOLIAGE

OCTOBER 5-13, 2026

STARTING FROM \$4,939 PER PERSON

- 9-day Guided Tour
- Deposit: \$250 (Non-Refundable)
- Final Payment Due: August 1, 2026



SCAN FOR ITINERARY & BOOKING DETAILS



DAKOTA COLLEGE AT BOTTINEAU
ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

YOU'VE BEEN AXED!

You have been Axed by one of your friends! They donated to Dakota College at Bottineau Staff Senate for Student Scholarships.



Contact Leslie Ostreim if you'd like to Axe someone's yard.

\$15 Donation - a Lumberjack will remove the axes.

\$20 Donation - a Lumberjack will remove and relocate the axes to the yard of a friend of your choice.

\$30 Donation - Will give you "Axe Insurance" and protect you from future axing.

\$50 Donation - This is "Axe Free Zone" will protect you from ever being axed again.

If you are unable to donate at this time please let our team know! Lumberjacks will remove axes at no cost



2025 WALK-IN FLU SHOT CLINICS



FIRST DISTRICT HEALTH UNIT - BOTTINEAU

Bottineau County Courthouse

Monday, September 29 • 9:00 - 1:00 & 2:00 - 5:00

Wednesday, October 1 • 9:00 - 1:00 & 2:00 - 4:00

Tuesday, October 7 • 9:00 - 1:00 & 2:00 - 4:00

WESTHOPE SENIOR CENTER

Tuesday, October 28 • 11:30 - 1:00

NEWBURG COMMUNITY CENTER

Thursday, October 9 • 11:30 - 1:00

STATE BANK OF BOTTINEAU

Friday, November 21 • 10:00 - 1:00

MISSED YOUR CLINIC AND NEED AN APPOINTMENT?

Call your local First District Health Office or scan the QR code above for additional dates and times!

Bottineau County Office - 701.228.3101

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We serve everyone 6 months and older regardless of income or insurance status.
We have specific doses available for 65+.



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2025

Cobblestone Inn and Suites, Bottineau

5:30 P.M. Social | Dinner and Auction to follow.

Featuring exciting new games, special guest speaker and so much more.

Tickets available at all local financial institutions, DCB Foundation Office, or online at www.dakotacollege.edu/foundation

\$60 before Sept. 14 | \$75 after Sept. 14

Evergreen is an annual fundraiser for academic student scholarships.

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO DONATE CONTACT:

the Foundation Office at 701-228-5435

or dcbalum@dakotacollege.edu

LOGGER APPLAUSE

Email Sandy.Hageness@dakotacollege.edu with your weekly shout-out!