Heart and Soul of Woodlands
Formation of the Woodland Regional Learning Center

WIRSA Conference
October 31, 2017
Northeast Wisconsin Technical College

• NWTC is a two-year public college, founded in 1912.

• 3 campuses, 5 Regional Learning Centers and 4 Regional Technical Academies, 1 Rural Innovation Center

• Offers 200+ career focused degree, diploma, certificate and apprenticeship programs

• 5,960 Full-Time Equivalent Students Served in 2016-2017.

• 37,000+ Students
Regional Learning Centers

It’s like “Cheers” where everybody knows your name

Decreases student cost/debt

Individualized to community needs

Provides authentic service learning

Community Center concept – “owned” by the community
History of Hillcrest School

- Owned by Florence School District
- Built in 1959
- Additions built in 1972 and 1999
- Closed in 2003
- NWTC began revitalizing project in 2010 and relocated northern technical college operations in 2017

Quick Facts:
- Located in the County of Florence-Town of Aurora
- 2nd Smallest County in the State
- County Population-4,423
- Town of Aurora Population-1,186
- 24.7% are 65 or older
- Median household income-$44,652
Woodland Regional Technical Academy

- Beecher-Dunbar-Pembine School District
- School District of Florence County
- Goodman-Armstrong Creek School District
- Niagara School District
Every Student is on a path, we are just one part of it

- This means every program is a path

Designed Pathways - programs with a clear connection to each other

- K12 TechNow opportunities
- 4 Year, clear 2+2 Articulation Agreements
- Career Pathway Bridge Programs
- 100% Embedded Programs
- Formerly “Bumpy Pathways”
Dual Credit requires Collaboration

NWTC equips labs in Regional Academies

Teachers may be NWTC faculty

Or a High School teacher trained by NWTC

Must follow NWTC curriculum, classroom assessments and textbooks
• Involved in the Northwoods Consortium with Wausaukee & Crivitz schools from the onset
• This provided a unique opportunity
• Challenges:
  - Distance and transportation
  - Scheduling
• Benefits: Incredible Opportunities!
Start here.
GO ANYWHERE
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## Dual Credit

- Earn up to 7 credits

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AWS Certifications

• The American Welding Society Certified 5 Welders Last Year, Free of Charge
The welding program has earned a great reputation.
Winning Five State Championships and even a National Championship with SkillsUSA.
## Dual Credits – Start College in rural high schools

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<td>Offer a level playing field for educational opportunity regardless of geography</td>
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<td>Intentional consideration of labor market needs</td>
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<td>Challenge HS students with rigorous curriculum</td>
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<td>Build confidence and successful college transitions</td>
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<td>Over 90% of District high schools offer NWTC dual credits</td>
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[Image of high school students and classroom equipment]
### Regionalize with Academies

**Woodland Regional Academy**

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<td>4 rural K12 districts; 51 HS grads/year total</td>
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<td>Block schedule students</td>
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<td>5 afternoons/week; 20 students</td>
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Follow your Path

MANUFACTURING
MANUFACTURING PRODUCTION PROCESS DEVELOPMENT

2017-2018

ENGINEERING HELPER
CERTIFICATE

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**TOTAL CREDITS: 18**

**KEY COURSES:**
- Calculus III
- Differential Equations
- Linear Algebra I
- Calculus IV
- Calculus V

**THESE COURSES MAY BE TAKEN ON A SEMESTER-BASED OR YEARLY-BASED BASIS.**

**CREDIT FOR PRIOR LIFE/WORK EXPERIENCE AVAILABLE**

020-600-6644 or 1-888-385-4692

Start here. GO ANYWHERE.
Then:
• Nursing Assistant
• Electro-Mechanical

Now:
• Nursing Assistant
• Electro-Mechanical
• Healthcare Customer Service Representative
• General Studies
• EMT
• Welding (shared at NSD site)
• Transcripted credit to add to pathways
2017 Programs offered at Woodland RLC

• Accounting/Accounting Assistant
• Administrative Professional
• Business Management
• Emergency Med Tech-Basic
• Farm Management
• General Studies
• Health Care Business Services

• Human Resources
• IT-Software Developer
• Leadership
• Nursing Assistant
• Office Professional
• Supply Chain Management
Potential Growth pathways

• Information Technology
• Entrepreneurship
• Agriculture
## Dual Credit Enrollments 2013 to 2017 (duplicated enrollments for TC and YO)

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Intentional Collaboration

- Labor market needs
- Industry Advisory Input
- K-12 STEAM
- Partnership Strategic Direction Planning
- Referendum/District planning to expose partnership pathways
- Academic Career Planning
Student & Parent Testimonial

- Began CNA Junior year
- Finished Senior year
- Continued to NWTC @ Green Bay
  - Earned Med Tech Diploma
- Employed in these fields, and does some substitute teaching
- Younger sister followed similar path, earned CNA & currently at NWTC – Marinette pursuing Surgical Tech Diploma
WOODLAND REGIONAL LEARNING CENTER
COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

Florence County ADRC
Community Café

University of Wisconsin-Extension

Florence County

Start here.
GO ANYWHERE.
Support entrepreneurs by providing education and coaching through one-on-one support along with creating strong local partnerships with both government and other agencies to build a network of experts to help sustain new business efforts.
Updated Facility Features

- Approximately 26,000 sq feet
- 3-VC Rooms
- 3-Smart Classrooms
- 1-Nursing Assistant Lab
- 2-General Classrooms
- 1-Electro-Mech Lab
- 2-Business Incubator Tenants

- Job Center
- Family Play Group
- Community Café
  - Florence ADRC
- Shared Use Kitchen
- Gym
CERTIFIED COMMERCIAL KITCHEN

- WALK IN FREEZER
- BRAISING TABLE
- GAS STOVE & COOK TOP
- LARGE REFRIGERATOR
- ICE MAKER
- COMMERCIAL DISHWASHER
- PREP SINK
- BUTCHER BLOCK TABLE
- STAINLESS STEEL TABLES
- BAKERS RACKS
- LARGE AND SMALL SHEET PANS
- NUMEROUS STAINLESS STEEL KETTLES FOR LARGE BATCHES
- IMMERSION MIXER & BLENDER
- LARGE & SMALL STAND MIXER
- LEGAL SCALE...AND MORE

Northeast Wisconsin Technical College

Start here. Go anywhere.
More about the kitchen...

What can be made in this kitchen?
• BAKED GOODS
• JAMS & JELLIES
• SALSAS
• PICKLES
• PASTA
• SAUCES
• DRIED MIXES
• DRESSING & OILS
• CONFECTIONARY
• DIPS & SPREADS
• CATERERS

What cannot be made in this kitchen?
• MEAT PRODUCTS ARE DISCOURAGED! Requires an on-site meat inspector. Any violation could shut the entire kitchen down!
• HIGH ALCOHOL CONTENT PRODUCTS
• JERKY PRODUCTS
• WILD GAME
ANNUAL HARVEST FESTIVAL

OVER 500 IN ATTENDANCE

28 VENDORS

EXPOSURE FOR OUR PROCESSORS

RAISED $300 FOR BUSINESS SPONSORSHIP
The community depends on us . . .

- Partnership with NWTC, Community and School Districts
- Beyond relationships but embedded into the community
- Binds our community to larger social service sectors
- Recognition/value of education and community growth