





Fall 2021 Vernon College Professional Development Calendar

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Monday, August 16, 2021	9:00AM— 12:00PM	Wichita Falls MPEC 1000 5 th St.	Fall 2021 Kick Off – All Faculty and Staff. Annual event to introduce new staff and faculty and see fellow colleagues receive service awards. The event provides awareness and updates regarding prior year accomplishments as well as policy and procedure updates relevant to the upcoming year. Lunch on your own. Staff will return to duty stations by 2:00PM.	3 hours
				
Wednesday, August 18, 2021	1:00PM— 2:00PM	Live Webinar	AACU Webinar Series – “Scaling and Institutionalizing Work Readiness in Higher Education” Research on effectiveness in higher education convincingly points to a handful of high-impact practices while the mission and purpose of higher education continues to aim at preparing engaged citizens who are able to thrive in a culturally, racially, and socio-economically diverse world. In what ways are these high impact practices and values of engaged citizenry consistent or inconsistent with preparing work-ready graduates? Are they potentially one in the same? Register here.	1 hour
				
Thursday, August 19, 2021	10:00AM— 11:00AM	Live Webinar	Financial Wellness: Budgeting Basics. Do you know how to build a budget? How much of your income should you be setting aside? During our Budgeting Basics presentation, featuring financial education specialists from the Office of Consumer Credit Commissioner, we will go over how to track and budget your monthly expenses while setting financial goals. Register here.	1 hour
				
Thursday, August 19, 2021	1:00PM— 2:00PM	Live Webinar	NISOD Webinar Series – “Improving Curriculum to Facilitate Diversity, Equality, and Inclusion.” This webinar shares research on curriculum equality. The facilitator provides examples of how equity can be facilitated in the classroom by allowing students to choose their own research topics, studying black authors and businesspeople, and by studying international authors and businesspeople based on the nationalities of the students in the class. A small panel of students speak as well and are available for questions on the day of the webinar. Register here.	1 hour
				



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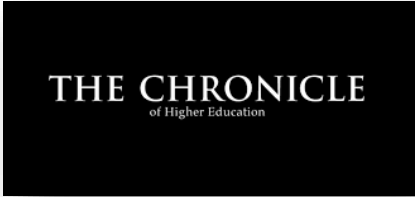
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Friday, August 20	9AM-12PM	Skills Training Center	Faculty In-Service Day. In higher education, quality teaching and institutional leadership are two of the most critical factors affecting student success. For optimum student success and institutional mission accomplishment, faculty and administrators must strive to expand their knowledge and skill sets for best educational practices. The faculty in-service day is an excellent opportunity for networking, setting expectations, and collectively planning a successful Fall 2021 term!	3 hours
				
Tuesday, August 24, 2021	12:00PM— 1:35PM CST	Live Webinar	Simon Sinek Inspired Learning Series - “Tackle Unconscious Bias and Increase Your Empathy.” Identify and reduce your unconscious bias, increase your empathy and in doing so, gain the skills to confidently build an inclusive, diverse and profitable team. This class will be hosted on Zoom and include breakout rooms where you will be interacting with other participants. Host: Inclusion Specialist, Gamal J. Palmer. Cost: \$85.00. Supervisor approval required for reimbursement. Learn more and register here.	105 Minutes
				
August 24-28	Various Shifts	Assigned Areas	Hotter-n-Hell Hundred 2021 Volunteer Opportunities! See the following volunteer opportunities for HHH 2021! Positions include packet assembly, registration, sales, and rest stop refreshment attendants. Use the following registration form to volunteer. Sign up early to be assigned to your “favorite spot.” Please list at least two volunteer shift options in case your first choice is already filled. Volunteers must be able to work the entire shift they sign up for. Volunteers will receive a confirmation letter via email as soon as your registration form is received and your assignment is made. For additional information or if you have any questions, please contact Darlene Craddock , HHH Volunteer Coordinator, at 940-733-1532 and leave a message.	3 hours
				
Thursday, August 26, 2021	12:30PM— 1 :30PM CST	Live Webinar	Recruiting Students in Difficult Times: Matching Students With Skills-Based Education and Careers. Educational institutions have witnessed enrollment drops much greater than anticipated in 2020, and community colleges have seen the largest decline. Now more than ever, your college needs activities that concentrate on the skill-based programs that will help your graduates find meaningful, well-paying careers. How can community colleges execute outreach to the right prospective students and achieve positive outcomes with limited resources? Presented by a panel from the League for Innovation in the Community College and their strategic partner SkillPointe . Register here.	1 hour
				






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September 2021	10:30AM-12:30AM Monday through Friday	1008 Burnett Street Wichita Falls, TX 76301	Meals on Wheels-Wichita Falls. The Kitchen serves over 850 seniors, homebound and disabled individuals each weekday Monday through Friday through their Meals on Wheels program. To continue this critical mission, Meals on Wheels of Wichita Falls is in need of volunteers to deliver meals. Loading and delivery take place between 10:30AM -12:30PM, and ideally, delivery is completed no later than 1:30PM. If you and/or your team/department would like to participate, please contact volunteer coordinator Lee Grace directly at 940.631.8920 or lgrace@thekitchenwfw.org . Complete the volunteer application here. In addition to making a difference, contributing to the community, and meeting new people, participants receive 2 hours of community service professional development credit. Together, we can deliver!	3 hours
				
Thursday, September 02, 2021	9:00AM—10:00AM	Webinar	Office of Consumer Credit Commissioner Financial Health Webinar Series-Credit and Saving. This webinar goes over the basics of budgeting and understanding credit. It is meant to be a beginner level presentation with a hope of keeping things insightful and light-hearted. This course gives a brief idea of how credit affects your every day life and the choices you have for your future. Register here.	1 hour
				
Monday September 06, 2021	2:00PM-4:00PM	Vernon Campus	Suicide Prevention & Awareness Month (Pinwheel Installation Volunteers Needed). The Office of Student Success is preparing for National Suicide Prevention & Awareness Month . Get on board with this initiative to raise awareness and reducing stigma by assisting their office in setting up 1100 commemorative pinwheels outside all VC locations. On this day, join with other employees and students at the Vernon Campus. Contact Sjhonton Fanner directly for more details and to volunteer.	2 hours
				
Tuesday, September 07, 2021	8:30AM-10:00AM	Century City Campus	Suicide Prevention & Awareness Month (Pinwheel Installation Volunteers Needed). The Office of Student Success is preparing for National Suicide Prevention & Awareness Month . Get on board with this initiative to raise awareness and reducing stigma by assisting their office in setting up 1100 commemorative pinwheels outside all VC locations. On this day, join with other employees and students at the Vernon Campus. Contact Sjhonton Fanner directly for more details and to volunteer.	2 hours
				




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Tuesday, September 07, 2021	10:00AM-10:15	Live Webinar	 ERS Fitness Connect Community Meet Up: Overcoming Poor Posture. On the first Tuesday of the month running through December 7, 2021, take a 15-minute wellness break and attend these informational sessions. Each webinar will begin at 10 a.m. CT. Receive 1 hour of PD credit for attending all 4 sessions. September session - Overcoming Poor Posture. Facilitators: Becky Gillespie, B.S., NASM, Onsite Wellness Coordinator, Blue Cross Blue Shield, and Angie Lederer, B.S., NASM- CPT, BCS, FNS, SFS , Onsite Wellness Coordinator, Blue Cross Blue Shield. Register here.	.25 hours
Wednesday, September 08, 2021	2:30PM-3:30PM	Century City Campus CCC 600	 Building Resilience with Beth Maywald (Part One). Join Beth Maywald, Texas Early Childhood Coalition Coordinator, as she discusses the lasting effects of adverse childhood experiences/toxic stress. In this three-part series, Ms. Maywald expertly shares this phenomenon in terms of our current student population as well as the impact for us as staff and faculty as well. Through individual assessment, documentary analysis, and interactive discussion, Ms. Maywald guides participants on the path to building resilience to withstand the impact of trauma and stress. Register here.	1 hour
Wednesday, September 08, 2021	2:00PM— 3:30PM CST	Live Webinar	 Simon Sinek Inspired Learning Series - “Stop Self Sabotage and Achieve Lasting Success.” Want to stop the cycle of self-sabotage that’s keeping you from living your best life? Join this class to jumpstart lasting, positive change in business, relationships, health and more. Presenter: Dr. Judy Ho, Ph. D., triple board certified and licensed Clinical and Forensic Neuropsychologist, and tenured Associate Professor at Pepperdine University Cost: \$85.00. Supervisor approval required for reimbursement. Learn more and register here.	90 Minutes
On Demand	On Demand	On Demand Webinar	 Managing Covid Risks Among the Vaccine-Hesitant. College campuses are preparing to fully reopen in a matter of weeks. But a lag in vaccination rates and mounting fears about the Delta variant are raising new concerns about how to make campuses as safe as possible for all students. What can be done amid varying perspectives and laws about vaccinations? Register here.	1 hour

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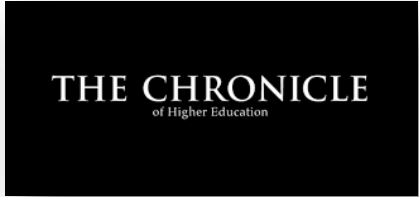


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Thursday, September 09, 2021	9:00AM— 10:00AM	Webinar	 Office of Consumer Credit Commissioner Financial Health Webinar Series-Student Loan Debt. Debt in general can be stressful, but what do you do about student loan debt? Next to owning a home it is the biggest debt some people will take on. What will happen if you can't pay off your student loans? What does forbearance mean? What can you do to prevent defaulting on your student loans? This webinar goes over different types of debt with a special focus on student loans. Register here.	1 hour
Thursday, September 09, 2021	10:00AM— 11:00AM	Live Webinar	 Build a Resilient, Smarter Brain with Sandra Bond Chapman, Ph.D. Join Dr. Sandra as she shares groundbreaking research proving we can make our brains smarter and healthier whatever our starting point. Learn how simple changes can lead to improved productivity, mental energy, stronger health and well-being. No matter what your age, Dr. Chapman will inspire you to use the power of your mind as she provides practical strategies to improve your own brain health. This webinar will be conversational in nature and will provide plenty of time for your questions. Register here.	1 hour
Thursday, September 09, 2021	4:00PM— 5:45PM CST	Live Webinar	 Simon Sinek Inspired Learning Series – “Bridge Our Differences Through Listening and Understanding.” This class provides a space for reflection and teaches you new skills and language, useful for learning to navigate our differences in challenging circumstances. Presenter: David Harris is currently an Optimist with Simon Sinek. Prior to this, he was Senior Vice President of Health and Human Performance for Equinox Holdings, Inc. Cost: \$85.00. Supervisor approval required for reimbursement. Learn more and register here.	105 Minutes
Monday, September 13, 2021	8:30AM-10:00AM	Skills Training Center	 Suicide Prevention & Awareness Month (Pinwheel Installation Volunteers Needed). The Office of Student Success is preparing for National Suicide Prevention & Awareness Month . Get on board with this initiative to raise awareness and reducing stigma by assisting their office in setting up 1100 commemorative pinwheels outside all VC locations. On this day, join with other employees and students at the Vernon Campus. Contact Sjhonton Fanner directly for more details and to volunteer.	2 hours

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Wednesday, September 15, 2021	1:00PM— 2:00PM CST	Live Webinar	 <p>The Right Curriculum for Digital Skills. As technology continues to evolve and employers demand more digitally savvy hires, how can colleges make sure their students are prepared to graduate with the right skills? The Right Curriculum for Digital Skills brings together a panel of professors and college administrators to explore this question. In this hourlong virtual forum, we'll look at the ways colleges are strengthening digital literacy and competencies in their courses. Attendees will have the opportunity to ask questions of our experts. Bring your ideas and share your own experiences during this special virtual forum. Register here.</p>	1 hour
Thursday, September 16, 2021	1:00PM— 2:00PM	Live Webinar	 <p>NISOD Webinar Series – “The Word “Technology” Is in the Way: Thinking Beyond the Term.” For centuries, technology tools have aided the learning process. How do we think beyond the term “technology” to leverage learner experiences? How do we recognize and link educational technology with tools like pen and paper or chalk and chalkboards? This webinar explores how educational technology can increase student persistence and retention. Register here.</p>	1 hour
Friday, September 17, 2021	8:00AM-3:00PM	Collin College- Wylie Campus 391 Country Club Road Wylie, TX 75098	 <p>North Texas Community College Consortium 27th Annual Fall Leadership Conference - New Opportunities in a Changed World. The Fall Leadership Conference is valuable for anyone who is in positions of leadership in institutions of higher education, is interested in leadership positions, desires to be more effective and influential in their current position, wants to know the latest in leadership trends, is looking for an opportunity to meet, interact, and/or network with leaders from other area institutions of higher learning. For more information and to register, click here.</p>	7 hours


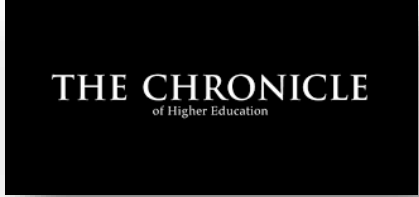



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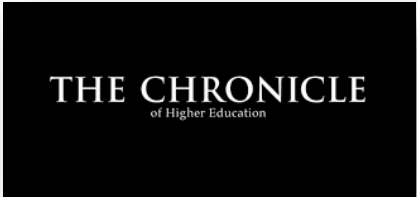
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On Demand	On Demand	Recorded Webinar Series	 Online Learning Consortium - Excellence in Online Learning Series. The Online Learning Consortium held a free webinar series during the summer – “ <i>Excellence in Online Learning!</i> ” Presented by a variety of experts in the field, the recorded series provides a host of worthwhile titles, each lasts one hour! Access here for titles and on demand viewing registration!	1 hour
On Demand	On Demand	On Demand Webinar	 Active Learning for a Post-Pandemic World Colleges have long wanted to make sure that all students are active participants in their learning, with greater emphasis on group work, opportunities to solve problems, and hands-on experiences. With in-person learning greatly diminished during the pandemic, where does active learning stand now and where is it headed? In Active Learning for a Post-Pandemic World, a panel of learning experts, including Eric Mazur of Harvard University, joins The Chronicle to help answer that key question. Register here.	1 hour
Saturday, September 18, 2021	9:00AM-12:00PM	Century City Campus	 National Clean-up Day! Join Vernon College staff, faculty and students as we participate in National Clean-up day on Saturday, September 18. We will assemble at 8:45AM to pick up litter on the Maplewood median between the Century City Campus and Southwest Parkway. The crew will meet in the southwest foyer of the Century City Campus for light breakfast snacks between 8:45AM-9:00AM, and then head out in teams to tackle the median. We should be finished no later than noon. Consider inviting students from your classes or student organizations. Family and friends also welcome! Click here to sign up yourself and/or your team today!	3 hours
Monday, September 20, 2021	1:00PM—2:00PM	Live Webinar	 NISOD Webinar Series –“America's Missing Piece: Understanding and Teaching DEI's Generational Module” Within each generation – Gen Z, Millennials, and Gen X – there are many demographics, including women, minorities, and white men. Three generations of faculty and students exist within college classrooms. Given the stunning intolerance that exists in America, educators must understand the differences between generations and demographics to reduce the nightmare of systemic anger, violence, and hatred. Understanding DEI through the unique generational lens is key to better preparing students for the multi-ethnic and multi-generational dynamics they face every hour of every day in their careers, and it is essential knowledge in every classroom. Register here.	1 hour



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Tuesday, September 21, 2021	12:00PM— 1:00PM	Live Webinar	 <p>NISOD Financial Literacy Series –“Shutdowns, Snowballs, and Sages.” (#2 of the 10 part series). Join Glenn Kent, financial advisor for Ameriprise, for this second entry in a 10 part complimentary Financial Literacy Series developed especially for NISOD. This session asks the question, “<i>What do shutdowns, snowballs and sages have in common?</i>” The answer may surprise you as all three have to do with different aspects of financial health. Join the discussion to learn why the path to financial health is at least partially paved with shutdowns, snowballs, and sages. Register here.</p>	1 hour
On Demand	On Demand	On Demand Webinar	 <p>The Future of the Student-Focused Library. Academic libraries play an increasingly important role in students’ learning and success. How will the libraries’ mission continue to evolve? To examine the roles of libraries on college campuses today and how they may change as students return to campus, The Chronicle will host a panel of experts for a virtual forum, “The Future of the Student-Focused Library.” Our panel will seek to answer questions such as: How do library instruction and library use contribute to student success? How do libraries help foster a sense of belonging? What role are libraries playing in connecting students to academic resources across campus? And how will the pandemic change the library experience? Register here.</p>	1 hour
Thursday, September 23, 2021	9:00AM— 10:00AM	Webinar	 <p>Office of Consumer Credit Commissioner Financial Health Webinar Series- <i>Borrowing Basics.</i> .This webinar is part of the FDIC Money Smart for Adults program. This webinar goes in-depth on what it takes to borrow money in several different ways. It is designed to go over the basics of borrowing from credit cards, loans, to layaway. Upon registration the meeting organizer, Andrea Johnson, will send out a participant guide with lessons plans for participants to follow along. This webinar is hosted by the Office of Consumer Credit Commissioner. It is for informational purposes only and does not constitute legal advice. Register here.</p>	1 hour

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Thursday, September 23, 2021	10:00AM— 11:00AM	Webinar	<p>Enhancing Performance and Productivity in the Modern Workplace. Join Stephen White, Chief Operating Officer for the Center for BrainHealth at UT Dallas, as he shares strategies to strengthen you and your organization’s performance through SMART (Strategic Memory Advanced Reasoning Training) principles. Our state workforce is inundated with information, overlapping deadlines and pressure to excel. In this webinar, Stephen will provide strategies to help you enhance your brain’s performance and put into practice habits that can capitalize on your brain’s untapped potential. Whether you are a leader who wants to minimize mental fatigue among your workforce or an employee who wants more time for the things and people you love, you will gain valuable insights from this webinar. The webinar will be conversational in nature and will provide plenty of time for your questions. Register here.</p>	1 hour
				
Thursday, September 23, 2021	1:00PM— 2:00PM	Live Webinar	<p>NISOD Webinar Series – “Computational Literacy for Modern Careers.” Automation is eliminating jobs, but at the same time a whole new world of better and higher-paying jobs is opening up for people who are willing to upgrade their skills. Many people assume that working with computers, robots, and CNC machines is far too complicated and simply out of the question. If you feel this way, then NCLab’s new training program, Computational Literacy for Modern Careers, is for you! Participants learn about the free, interactive, hands-on Computational Aptitude Assessment that all applicants to the Computational Literacy for Modern Careers program must take. Register here.</p>	1 hour
				
On Demand	On Demand	On Demand Webinar	<p>The New Digital Classroom. For a year and a half, faculty members have worked quickly and tirelessly to learn about online teaching and online teaching tools. In fact, 91 percent of professors and instructors surveyed told The Chronicle their role required a greater understanding of technology than before. Now that colleges are reopening the classrooms that have long sat vacant, what will faculty do with their newfound knowledge? And how are colleges equipped to meet the needs of faculty who may wish to incorporate new teaching technologies in their physical classrooms? In this virtual forum, The New Digital Classroom, a panel of technologists and academic leaders will join Ian Wilhelm, an assistant managing editor at The Chronicle, for a discussion of the campus classroom’s digital future. Register here.</p>	1 hour
				

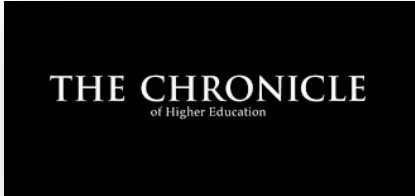




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Wednesday, September 29, 2021	8:00AM— 12:00PM	Century City Campus	<p>Vernon College Continuing Education Presents – “Developing High Performance Teams.” Teams fail to complete their objectives 60% of the time. But when teams work, they outperform a group of individual performers. Teams also differ in how well they perform. There is a difference between teamwork and a high-performance team. In this workshop, we'll discuss how to create teams that not only meet their performance objectives, but exceed them. Topics covered include: why teams fail, strategies for building team success, essential skills for team members, the definition of high-performance team as related "regular" teams. Network with other area business professionals! Facilitator, Penny Miller, President, My HR Department. Cost: \$60.00. Supervisor approval required for reimbursement. Contact Tina Duke in the Continuing Education Department to register! It's time to let your light shine!</p>	4 hours
				
Tuesday, October 05, 2021	8:30AM— 4:30PM	Century City Campus	<p>Vernon College Continuing Education Presents – “Supervisor’s Boot Camp.” Network with other area business professionals! Penny Miller presents a crash course in supervision, designed to teach supervisors how to handle the many difficult and common situations they will encounter with employees on a daily basis. Seminar topics include: transitioning from peer to supervisor, supervisory roles and liability, employment law, Fair Labor Standards Act, Family Medical Leave Act, Equal Employment Opportunity, sexual harassment. basic interviewing do’s and don’ts, conducting performance feedback, disciplinary actions, lawful terminations, supervisor’s role in handling unemployment claims, and effective meeting management. Network with other area business professionals! Facilitator, Penny Miller, President, My HR Department. Cost: \$99.00. Supervisor approval required for reimbursement. Contact Tina Duke in the Continuing Education Department to register! It's time to let your light shine!</p>	8 hours
				
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Tuesday, October 05, 2021	11:30AM— 12:30PM CST	Live Webinar	<p>Stories of Transformation: 6 Innovative University Leaders Share Insights. Colleges and universities have faced financial difficulties for years — and the pandemic has only exacerbated them. Federal relief funding offers only a temporary solution. What strategies can help institutions hard-hit by the pandemic shore up their balance sheets for the long term? Paul Friga joins The Chronicle’s Scott Carlson to share insights gleaned from the transformation of colleges and universities over the past six months. Hear excerpts from recent interviews with university presidents and board members on rescaling, program management, consolidation strategies, growth in times of uncertainty, and collaboration of boards, cabinets, and faculty members. Register here.</p>	1 hour
				
Thursday, October 07, 2021	8:30AM— 4:30PM	Vernon Campus	<p>Vernon College Continuing Education Presents – “Supervisor’s Boot Camp.” Network with other area business professionals! Penny Miller presents a crash course in supervision, designed to teach supervisors how to handle the many difficult and common situations they will encounter with employees on a daily basis. Seminar topics include transitioning from peer to supervisor, supervisory roles and liability, employment law, Fair Labor Standards Act, Family Medical Leave Act, Equal Employment Opportunity, sexual harassment, basic interviewing do’s and don’ts, conducting performance feedback, disciplinary actions, lawful terminations, supervisor’s role in handling unemployment claims, and effective meeting management. Network with other area business professionals! Facilitator, Penny Miller, President, My HR Department. Cost: \$99.00. Supervisor approval required for reimbursement. Contact Tina Duke in the Continuing Education Department to register! It’s time to let your light shine!</p>	8 hours
				
Thursday, October 07, 2021	9:00AM— 10:00AM	Webinar	<p>Office of Consumer Credit Commissioner Financial Health Webinar Series- <i>Financial Fitness for Your Future.</i> Being financial fit will give you confidence when you are trying to make financial decisions. During this webinar we will cover, budgeting, credit, and building wealth. We'll also talk about what it means to you to be financially well. (This webinar is for informational purposes only and does not constitute legal advice.) Register here.</p>	1 hour
				






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Thursday, October 07, 2021	9:00AM— 10:30AM CST	Live Webinar	 Simon Sinek Inspired Learning Series - “Emotional Intelligence: The One Trait Your Teams Needs from You Right Now.” Developing emotional intelligence in the workplace has clear benefits. Emotionally intelligent people are empathetic listeners and trusting teammates. They are resilient under pressure, open to feedback, set better examples for others to follow, and make thoughtful decisions. Emotional intelligence is one of the main qualities people look for in their leaders. And the good news is that it is a skill that you can start honing right now. Presenters: The Chapman & Co. Leadership Institute. Cost: \$85.00. Supervisor approval required for reimbursement. Learn more and register here.	90 Minutes
Thursday, October 07, 2021	10:00AM— 4:00PM CST	Live Web Conference	 Professional learning for every level of edtech user and every kind of educator, from kindergarten teacher to university CTO. Included in this FREE event: some seriously cerebral keynote speakers; carefully selected educator-led breakout sessions; roundtable discussions, product news, and networking. An overall fun, interactive online experience. See the agenda here. Register Now!	TBD
Thursday, October 07, 2021	1:00PM— 2:00PM	Live Webinar	 NISOD Webinar Series –“Collaborating with Student Scholars.” This webinar provides three perspectives on successful collaboration with student scholars at California State University Dominguez Hills. Dr. Laura Talamante, Professor, History, shares her experience publishing an article in a peer-reviewed journal with an undergraduate student. Dr. Doris Namala, Professor, History, explains how a campus journal was formed that is completely under the direction of undergraduate students. Jasmine Abang, Student, shares her experiences in both of these projects. Dr. John Eigenauer guides the discussion and shares experiences of working with this outstanding group of scholars. Register here.	1 hour

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Friday, October 08, 2021	9:00AM— 3:00PM	Hill College 112 Lamar Hillsboro, TX 76645	 North Texas Community College Consortium - 2021 Instructional Innovation Conference: “Thriving.” The Instructional Innovation Conference is an annual conference promoting best practices in classroom innovation and instructional design. Sponsored by Hill College, the Instructional Innovation Conference is valuable for anyone who is employed or interested in instructional design or classroom innovation. This event provides opportunity for participation as a Subject Matter Expert (presenter, discussion board panelist), Experienced participant (roundtable discussions, breakout sessions) and/or a Beginner or novice . For more information and to register, click here .	7 hours
Friday-Saturday, October 08- October 09, 2021		Virtual Conference	 TCCTA Faculty Leaders Conference. The Faculty Leader Conference focuses on issues related to the role of faculty in the college decision-making process; including legal issues, the legislature, student success, and programs that relate immediately to your classroom! Designed especially for faculty leaders, this event is open to anyone interested in the leadership role faculty play in Texas two-year colleges. Members: \$95. Agenda and registration link .	TBD
Monday, October 11, 2021	1:00PM— 2:00PM	Live Webinar	 NISOD Webinar Series –“Decolonizing Higher Ed: A 28-Year-Old Professor’s Perspective” This session looks to unpack the nature and effectiveness of academic tools used by educators (i.e. lateness, exams, textbooks, etc.), as well as provide an understanding on culturally responsible pedagogy (i.e. school/home life dynamics, social media, culturally sensitive syllabus, etc.). Every facet of life has evolved significantly throughout time, yet education has remained mainly the same. With the oversaturation of music, technology and social media outside of the classroom, it is key to incorporate these elements into the classroom in order to gauge more favorable results. Register here .	1 hour






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Wednesday, October 13, 2021	1:00PM— 2:00PM	Live Webinar	 <p>AACU Webinar Series –“Supporting Student Success through Faculty Development: The OneHE Approach” Higher education’s pivot to emergency remote teaching during the spring of 2020 further underscored the long-recognized need for scalable and sustainable faculty development that reaches all faculty on a campus, not just a few. AAC&U has now partnered with OneHE to provide affordable faculty development tools that can complement an institution’s existing efforts to offer teaching excellence programming, resources, and community at scale. This webinar will explore the OneHE microlearning approach, which leverages James Lang’s notion of “small teaching.” The content development model along with the scope of offerings will be shared, and participants will hear how campuses are now leveraging OneHE to improve faculty practice in service to student success. Register here.</p>	1 hour
Wednesday, October 13, 2021	1:00PM— 2:30PM CST	Live Webinar	 <p>A Positive Pivot to Online Instruction. T With the rapid spread of the Delta variant, colleges may once again return to online learning. How will colleges apply the lessons learned over the past year to ensure a positive and productive pivot, should it need to occur? Experts in online learning join The Chronicle to share practical tips and offer a sneak preview of higher ed’s digital future. Now that they have more experience with various technologies and platforms, how are administrators and professors working together to ensure a positive pivot, if it must happen? What features do professors believe best facilitate the transition from classroom to online and back again, for both students and instructors? How are the lessons colleges are learning today affecting the plans for programs and teaching in the future? Register here.</p>	1 hour
Wednesday, October 13, 2021	2:30PM-3:30PM	Century City Campus CCC 600	 <p>Building Resilience with Beth Maywald (Part Two). Join Beth Maywald, Texas Early Childhood Coalition Coordinator, as she discusses the lasting effects of adverse childhood experiences/toxic stress. In this three-part series, Ms. Maywald expertly shares this phenomenon in terms of our current student population as well as the impact for us as staff and faculty as well. Through individual assessment, documentary analysis, and interactive discussion, Ms. Maywald guides participants on the path to building resilience to withstand the impact of trauma and stress. Register here.</p>	1 hour






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Thursday, October 14, 2021	9:00AM— 10:00AM	Webinar	 <p>Office of Consumer Credit Commissioner Financial Health Webinar Series-Your Money Values, Influences, Spending, and Saving. This webinar is part of the FDIC Money Smart for Adults program. This webinar will hopefully help you build your financial goals based on your money values and influences. It will also go over how to make a spending and saving plan and what to do when money is tight. Upon registration the meeting organizer, Andrea Johnson, will send out a participant guide with lessons plans for participants to follow along. This webinar is hosted by the Office of Consumer Credit Commissioner. It is for informational purposes only and does not constitute legal advice. Register here.</p>	1 hour
Thursday, October 14, 2021	1:00PM— 2:30PM CST	Live Webinar	 <p>The Future of the Faculty Office. The faculty office has always been coveted by professors and instructors alike, yet they have rarely been utilized to their full potential. Now, with the rise of remote work and pressing budget constraints, what lies ahead for this long sought-after place? Experts in facilities management and academic administration join The Chronicle’s Scott Carlson to examine how faculty offices can better support faculty and institutional goals, and finally fulfill their potential as spaces that deepen faculty work and connections with students. Register here.</p>	1 hour
Thursday, October 14, 2021	12:30PM— 1 :30PM CST	Live Webinar	 <p>Recruiting Students in Difficult Times: Matching Students With Skills-Based Education and Careers. Educational institutions have witnessed enrollment drops much greater than anticipated in 2020, and community colleges have seen the largest decline. Now more than ever, your college needs activities that concentrate on the skill-based programs that will help your graduates find meaningful, well-paying careers. How can community colleges execute outreach to the right prospective students and achieve positive outcomes with limited resources? Presented by a panel from the League for Innovation in the Community College and their strategic partner SkillPointe. Register here.</p>	1 hour






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Saturday, October 16, 2021 2021	9:00AM— 1:00PM	1230 Midwestern Parkway Wichita Falls, TX 76302	Vernon College Day at the Wichita Falls Area Food Bank. Since 1982 the Wichita falls Area Food Bank has distributed food free of charge to the clients of charitable partner agencies and programs operating in 12 North Texas counties. The success of their mission depends upon the active compassion and participation of their supporters—you! Currently, the WFAFB is in dire need of volunteers! With that Amy Costello, resident AND instructor has organized a Vernon College Day at the Food Bank. Teams/departments are encouraged to volunteer together! To receive more information and volunteer, please complete the volunteer application . In addition to making a difference, contributing to the community, and meeting new people, participants receive 4 hours of community service professional development credit. Sign-up here!	4 hours
				
Monday, October 18, 2021	10AM-11AM	Webinar	ERS Wellness Webinar – “Prioritize YOU...you are worth it! with Todd Whitthorneor” Taking YOUR power back requires prioritizing you! Prioritizing self-care is not always easy, but it is the only way to be at your best for those around you. Each one of us has been impacted both personally and professionally by the massive changes we have faced since March 2020. While the "rules" are still changing, it's critical to prioritize both your physical and emotional health. What can that look like for you? Todd Whitthorne will share very timely and actionable strategies to not only manage, but actually flourish during these times of challenge. Register here.	1 hour
				
Tuesday, October 19, 2021	10AM-11AM	Webinar	ERS Wellness Webinar – “Dr. Steven Berk - COVID-19 Vaccine Q&A: Putting Your Health First.” Got questions about the COVID-19 vaccine or are hesitant to get it? Dr. Steven L. Berk, M.D., Dean of the School of Medicine at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, understands the many perspectives on the vaccine and the virus. In this webinar, he shares evidence-based information for you to (or help loved ones to) make informed decisions regarding the COVID-19 vaccine and other ways to protect yourself and your family. Submit your questions in advance when you register for this webinar. Register here.	1 hour
				






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Wednesday, October 20, 2021	10AM-11AM	Webinar	 <p>ERS Wellness Webinar – “Move More for YOU! With Rene Rogers, Ph.D.” We (humans) are designed to move! Whether you enjoy walking alone, dancing, organized sports, or group fitness, any type of physical activity can positively affect your mood and help you to manage any kind of stress! We often consider movement “me” time and forego our movement to take care of others. The days when you don’t feel like you have time are the days you likely need to move even more! In this webinar we will discuss how movement works as a stress reliever, ways to make time for movement, and ideas for incorporating movement into what you already do. Register here.</p>	1 hour
Thursday, October 21 and Friday October 22, 2021	10:00AM— 4:30PM each day	Live Webinar	 <p>AACU Webinar Series – “Renewing the Legitimacy of Learning: A Symposium on Academic Integrity” Many campuses are reporting significant spikes in honor code violations, which are often two, three, or even four times as frequent compared to previous semesters. Recent articles in Forbes, the Washington Post, and the Wall Street Journal have chronicled the rapid acceleration of cheating, the scope of which threatens the integrity of higher education and the value of the college degree. Bringing together the voices and experiences of students, faculty, and administrators, this virtual symposium will explore ideas for teaching faculty, considerations for campus IT leaders, and recommendations for honor system participants. Attendees will come away with a clear understanding of the current challenge to academic integrity as well as practical strategies for addressing it within their own institutional contexts. Free for AAC&U members; \$199 for non-members Register here.</p>	12 hours
Thursday, October 21, 2021	12:00PM— 1:30PM CST	Live Webinar	 <p>Simon Sinek Inspired Learning Series - “Work Smarter Not Longer.” The global Covid-19 pandemic has caused almost everyone to rethink how and where they work. A four day working week has been touted as the future- a sanity-saving balance between work and life... but is it realistic? As working from home blurs boundaries even further, there has never been a better time to discard this outdated model. Presenter: Joe Sanok is the author of Thursday is the New Friday: How to work fewer hours, make more money, and spend time doing what you want. It examines how the four-day workweek boosts creativity and productivity. Joe has been featured on Forbes, GOOD Magazine, and the Smart Passive Income Podcast. He is the host of the popular The Practice of the Practice Podcast, which is recognized as one of the Top 50 Podcasts worldwide with over 100,000 downloads each month. Cost: \$85.00. Supervisor approval required for reimbursement. Learn more and register here.</p>	90 Minutes

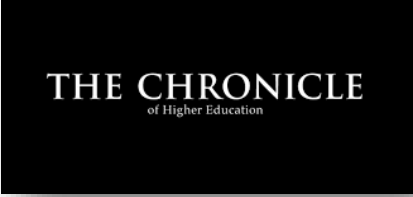



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Friday, October 22, 2021	10AM-11:30AM	Webinar	 <p>ERS Wellness Webinar – “Managing Burnout and Compassion Fatigue with Kristen Huff & Erica Grigg” This webinar will provides explanations, tips, and personal stories exploring mental health and wellness. This material is useful to anyone, but especially those under the chronic stress of helping others in crisis or need. Managing mental health during times of adversity is critical to effectively and ethically serving others. Compassion fatigue can lead to depression, anxiety, and substance abuse. Resources from the Texas Lawyers’ Assistance Program and the Employees’ Assistance Program will be included. Register here.</p>	1.5 hours
Friday, October 22, 2021	12PM-1:00PM	Webinar	 <p>ERS Wellness Webinar – “Mindfulness Methods: Cultivating Calm, Focus and Well-Being.” In this workshop, lawyer and mindfulness teacher Jon Krop shares the skills to cultivate the calm, clarity, and focus that can be so elusive during this time of crisis. Jon teaches a simple, effective sitting meditation practice and other mindfulness tools tailored to a lawyer's unique challenges and busy workday. He guides participants through short exercises that sharpen focus, calm the mind, and cultivate resilience in the face of anxiety and stress. Register here.</p>	1 hour
Tuesday, October 26, 2021	8:00AM— 12:00PM	Century City Campus	 <p>Vernon College Continuing Education Presents – “Providing WOW! Customer Service.” Great customer service seems to be missing in many organizations and yet, it is not difficult (in concept) and it does not have to be expensive. So why is great customer service so hard to find? What makes customers say “Wow! What great customer service!” and recommend your company to others? Whether you cater to internal customers, the public or are a business-to-business provider, this workshop has lots of great tips, many of which can be implemented right away. Training includes: knowing what your customers want, build a customer service culture, specific customer service behaviors, essential skills for serving customers, team building to provide exceptional customer service, and problem-solving techniques! This session is appropriate for front-line customer service personnel and their supervisors. Network with other area business professionals! Facilitator, Penny Miller, President, My HR Department. Cost: \$60.00. Supervisor approval required for reimbursement. Contact Tina Duke in the Continuing Education Department to register! It’s time to let your light shine!</p>	4 hours

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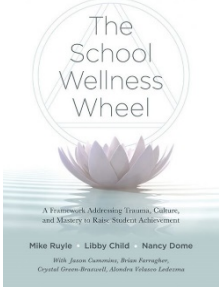


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Tuesday, October 26, 2021	8:30AM— 11:00AM	Wichita Falls Country Club 1701 Lton Blvd a Falls, TX 6308	Wichita Falls Chamber of Commerce Quarterly BOSS Program—“How to Navigate Negativity at Work.” In this interactive networking session, learn essential business tips for navigating the 21 st -Century business world! Various panelists from area business and industry scheduled to present! Cost: \$10.00. For attendance to this fun and impactful BOSS event and invoicing purposes, RSVP with Donnie Kirk. Faculty/Staff Read “How to Deal with a Negative Coworker.” Leadership Read: “9 Tips for Minimizing Workplace Negativity.”	2.5 hours
				
Tuesday, October 26, 2021	9:00AM— 10:30AM CST	Live Webinar	Simon Sinek Inspired Learning Series - “Reduce Your Anxiety and Stress.” Building your emotional and mental resilience can mean managing the emotions that you yourself experience or that of those around you. When you build stronger emotional resilience and gain the ability to minimize stress and anxiety, it enables you to increase productivity, improve morale, enhance relationships with your team and boost company culture to retain top talent. Presenter: Samantha Clarke is a happiness consultant, author of Love It or Leave It - How to be Happy at work. As a faculty lecturer at The School of Life and The Guardian Masterclasses, she facilitates workshops on career potential, managing stress, confidence and happiness at work. Her clientele includes LVMH, Mediacom, Virgin, NHS, Nespresso and Virgin & many more. Learn more and register here.	90 Minutes
				
Thursday, October 28, 2021	12:00PM— 1:00PM	Live Webinar	Gardner Institute Webinar Series –“Socially Just Design Momentum: Next Steps Towards a More Just and Equitable Postsecondary System.” Dr. Andrew Koch, Dr. Megan Underhill, Aryelle Jacobsen, and Makayla Townsend from the University of North Carolina-Asheville, will present their findings based on the Shaping the Movement feedback from previous chapters. This interactive chapter will focus on creating a movement in higher education towards equitable and socially just systems in postsecondary education. Register here.	1 hour
				

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Thursday, October 28, 2021	1:00PM— 2:00PM CST	Live Webinar	 <p>Centering Diverse Voices in Learning Design: Lessons Learned from a Global Classroom. Including people with diverse backgrounds, ideas, and methods of teaching and learning is an educational imperative — and inclusion has been at the heart of the Pulte Institute at The University of Notre Dame’s Data for Development series since its inception. Discover the story behind the development and launch of this vital and transformative program in a webinar hosted by Everspring on October 28. Hear from those who shaped the program on the challenges they faced and the opportunities they foresee in learning design. Register here.</p>	1 hour
Thursday, October 28, 2021	1:00PM— 2:00PM	Live Webinar	 <p>NISOD Webinar Series –“Driving Innovation on Your Campus” To mark the occasion of its 10th anniversary in 2020, the Doctorate in Community College Leadership program at Ferris State University collected examples of innovative practices from alumni and faculty. The resulting 16 essays comprise their publication <i>Enhancing Performance: A Best Practices Guide for Innovations in Community Colleges</i> published by Rowman and Littlefield. During this webinar, five of the authors describe innovations from their institutions that were driven and supported by faculty. Webinar participants 1) learn best practices for involving faculty in innovative practices and are 2) provided with specific examples of how to apply these practices at their own institutions to enhance teaching, learning, and student success. Register here.</p>	1 hour
November 01— November 03	Conference Schedule	Virtual Conference	 <p>25th Texas Higher Education Law Conference</p> <p>November 1-3 University of North Texas Via ZOOM</p>  <p>North Texas Community College Consortium - 25th Texas Higher Education Law Conference. Topics include Equity, Diversity, and Access; COVID-19 and Assessment Issues; COVID-19 and Personnel Issues; COVID-19 Litigation and Regulatory Issues; Civil Rights Update; Title IX Update; Student Crisis Issues; DACA Update; Religious Liberty; Free Speech; Educational Malpractice. Registration will be for the entire conference and does not require registration for individual sessions. Zoom links for all sessions will be provided to all registrants by email the week of October 25. Registration for the Conference is \$100. Register here.</p>	


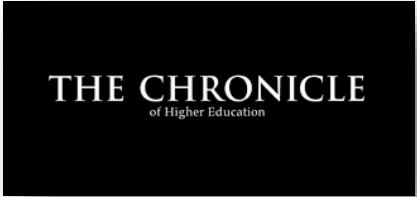



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<p>Monday, November 01, 2021</p>	<p>1:00PM— 2:00PM CST</p>	<p>Live Webinar</p>	<p>edWeb Presents: “The School Wellness Wheel: Enhancing Student Growth Through Healing and Resilience-Centered Education.” Join the authors of the telling and timely book, <i>The School Wellness Wheel</i>, to explore the complex interplay between mastery, culture, and trauma in an innovative framework that has the potential to completely transform the narrative of traditional education. In this edWebinar, attendees will learn how to shift the perspective away from time-based, curriculum-centered schools to creating resilience-centered educational models that can help take students and teachers to higher levels of learning for all. Geared toward K-12 educators, the topic warrants attention from community college educators as well. Register here.</p>	<p>1 hour</p>	
	<p>Tuesday, November 02, 2021</p>	<p>10:00AM-10:15</p>	<p>Live Webinar</p>	<p>ERS Fitness Connect Community Meet Up: “Flexibility vs. Mobility.” On the first Tuesday of the month starting in September running through December 7, 2021, take a 15-minute wellness break and attend these informational sessions. Each webinar will begin at 10 a.m. CT. Receive 1 hour of PD credit for attending all 4 sessions. Facilitators: Becky Gillespie, B.S., NASM, Onsite Wellness Coordinator, Blue Cross Blue Shield, and Angie Lederer, B.S., NASM- CPT, BCS, FNS, SFS , Onsite Wellness Coordinator, Blue Cross Blue Shield. Register here.</p>	<p>.25 hours</p>
	<p>Tuesday, November 02, 2021</p>	<p>12:00PM— 1:00PM</p>	<p>Live Webinar</p>	<p>NISOD Financial Literacy Series –“I’ve Got a Retirement Saving Tool for You: The Individual Retirement Account (IRA).” (#3 of the 10 part series). Join Glenn Kent, financial advisor for Ameriprise, for this second entry in a 10 part complimentary Financial Literacy Series developed especially for NISOD. This session highlights the world of traditional and Roth IRAs, retirement savings vehicles many can take advantage of, yet not enough do. First, we will test your knowledge about these individual retirement plans that can provide tax advantages for retirement savings. Next, we will review the details behind each. Finally, we will review a real-life example of how to assess which IRA approach may be best for your needs. Register here.</p>	<p>1 hour</p>
					

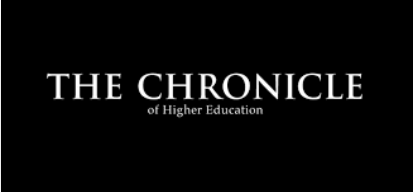


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Thursday, November 04, 2021	9:00AM— 10:00AM	Webinar	 <p>Office of Consumer Credit Commissioner Financial Health Webinar Series- Credit 101 & Building Wealth. What's in your credit report and how does it affect you? Understanding and improving your credit is one of the best things you can do for your financial outlook. This webinar discusses what it takes to build your credit, track your credit and look ahead. If you would like to be added to the notifications list for upcoming financial education webinars email financial_education@occe.texas.gov (These webinars are for informational purposes only and do not constitute legal advice) Register here.</p>	1 hour
Thursday, November 04, 2021	1:00PM— 2:00PM CST	Live Webinar	 <p>The Community Colleges Students Need Now. Community colleges must figure out how to move forward in a time of upheaval. As they face enrollment declines, students' greater needs, and pandemic-era learning loss, among other challenges, the mission of social mobility is more important than ever. How are community colleges remaking the paths to a postsecondary credential? In the third of our four-part series, "Going Forward: The Higher Ed We Need Now," we will examine how community colleges are expanding outreach and prioritizing equity to serve today's students. Join the co-hosts Michael J. Sorrell, president of Paul Quinn College, and Scott Carlson, a senior writer at The Chronicle Register here.</p>	1 hour
Monday, November 08, 2021	1:00PM— 2:00PM	Live Webinar	 <p>NISOD Webinar Series –“A 2020 Perspective on Presence” In the wake of the pandemic, many instructors are realizing that our "presence" with one another, particularly as educators, makes all the difference in the lives of our students. In this webinar, the presenter discusses his research on instructional and social presence, conducted during the midst of the coronavirus pandemic, and provides an opportunity for participants to reflect upon their own instructional journeys to determine what worked, what didn't, and how they can collectively improve in meeting the needs of their students moving forward. Register here.</p>	1 hour






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Tuesday, November 09, 2021	1:00PM— 2:00PM CST	Live Webinar	 <p>The Lessons From Making First-Gen a Priority. Colleges have prioritized enrolling and graduating first-generation-college students. But who are those students? And what do they need? Far from a monolithic entity, first-generation students reflect many different identities, beyond the simple identifier of being the first in their families to attend college. In the first event of a series, “What It Really Takes to Be a Student-Centric Institution,” The Chronicle meets with leaders in student affairs and academic services to discuss their efforts to best serve first-generation students — and how that experience has influenced the way they approach their work with the student population at large. Register here.</p>	1 hour
Wednesday, November 10, 2021	11:00AM— 12:00PM CST	Webinar	 <p>Online Learning Consortium Webinar – “How to Increase Regular and Substantive Interaction (RSI) in Online and Distance Learning.” Meaningful engagement between instructors and students is an essential component of successful online and distance learning, driving higher quality interactions and experiences. This aligns with the Department of Education’s rules requiring courses to include “Regular and Substantive Interaction,” especially in distance and competency-based education (to ensure federal financial aid funds are used appropriately). In this webinar, speakers will 1) discuss how to create a learning environment that cultivates quality, meaningful interactions and 2) share innovative, best-practice examples in action. Participants will explore the tools and approaches to best support students in sharing their ideas and engaging more deeply in their learning. For more information and registration, click here.</p>	1 hour
Wednesday, November 10, 2021	11:00AM— 12:30PM CST	Live Webinar	 <p>Simon Sinek Inspired Learning Series - “Conquer Overwhelm and Boost Productivity.” If you’ve ever found the length of your “To Do” list paralyzing or responded to the question “How are you?” with, “Ok...” or “Hanging in there” this class is for you. Presenter: Join transformational author and executive coach Denise R Green as she provides the practical tools and techniques that will allow you to cope, the next time you find yourself buried under a mountain of tasks. With her insights, discover the surprisingly simple ways to turn overwhelm into gratifying clarity and boost your productivity. Cost: \$85.00. Learn more and register here.</p>	90 Minutes




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Wednesday, November 10, 2021	1:00PM— 2:00PM	Live Webinar	 <p>NACADA Web Event – “Creating and Holding Space for LGBTQA+ Students: A Conversation” In this webinar, authors and editors of the new NACADA/Stylus book, “Advising LGBTQA+ Students,” discuss the critical role that advisors, administrators, and all campus personnel play in validating LGBTQA+ student experience, particularly Queer and Trans Students of Color (QTPOC). But what exactly can advisors do to see and hold space for LGBTQA+ students? How exactly do advisors validate LGBTQA+ Students of Color, work to maintain student privacy, acknowledge the advising climate on a campus, and remain knowledgeable about campus and community resources? These questions, and many others, are important and worth our time in discussion. This webinar highlights the critical work in this text as well as practical strategies that faculty and primary-role advisors need to ask new questions and develop informed responses for advising LGBTQA+ students. \$175.00. Register here.</p>	1 hour
Wednesday, November 10, 2021	2:30PM-3:30PM	Century City Campus CCC 600	 <p>Building Resilience with Beth Maywald (Part Three). Join Beth Maywald, Texas Early Childhood Coalition Coordinator, as she discusses the lasting effects of adverse childhood experiences/toxic stress. In this three-part series, Ms. Maywald expertly shares this phenomenon in terms of our current student population as well as the impact for us as staff and faculty as well. Through individual assessment, documentary analysis, and interactive discussion, Ms. Maywald guides participants on the path to building resilience to withstand the impact of trauma and stress. Register here.</p>	1 hour
Thursday, November 11, 2021	9:00AM— 10:00AM	Webinar	 <p>Office of Consumer Credit Commissioner Financial Health Webinar Series - Avoiding Financial Exploitation. Financial exploitation can affect anyone. It's when someone takes advantage of you or someone you love for financial gain. It comes in many forms and can be quite costly. Financial exploitation sadly usually comes from people closest to us. This webinar focuses on financial exploitation situations and aims to raise awareness on how to prevent financial exploitation. Register here.</p>	1 hour

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Monday, November 15, 2021	1:00PM— 2:00PM	Live Webinar	 <p>NISOD Webinar Series –“Useful, Usable, and Actionable: How Faculty Can Use Data to Improve Student Success.” Based on their book <i>Creating a Data-Informed Culture at Community Colleges</i> (Harvard Education Press, 2017), Brad Phillips and Jordan Horowitz bring a renowned fun and lighthearted approach to data informed practice. This webinar provides five tips designed to help faculty identify what data is important to them, turn that data into useful information, and make use of the information to inform their practice and improve their teaching and learning. Sponsored by the Institute for Evidence Based Change (IEBC). Register here.</p>	1 hour
Monday, November 15, 2021	2:00PM— 3:30PM CST	Live Webinar	 <p>Simon Sinek Inspired Learning Series - “Emotional Intelligence: The One Trait your Team Needs from you Right Now.” Developing emotional intelligence in the workplace has clear benefits. Emotionally intelligent people are empathetic listeners and trusting teammates. They are resilient under pressure, open to feedback, set better examples for others to follow, and make thoughtful decisions. Emotional intelligence is one of the main qualities people look for in their leaders. And the good news is that it is a skill that you can start honing right now. Cost: \$85.00. Learn more and register here.</p>	90 Minutes
Tuesday – Thursday, November 16- 18, 2021	Conference Schedule	Live Virtual Conference	 <p>The Chronicle of Higher Ed – Chronicle Festival: “The Ideas Shaping Higher Education.” Higher ed is at an inflection point, a moment to set a new course. Join The Chronicle’s journalists as they interview leading thinkers and college leaders about the ideas that will reshape institutions, inspire innovation, and reenergize aspirations. This virtual conference provides 3 days of insights into the emerging trends campus leaders need to know including building public trust, resources to underserved populations, and tips for innovation in an uncertain environment. Free. Register here.</p>	TBD

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Thursday, November 18, 2021	9:00AM— 10:00AM	Webinar	 Office of Consumer Credit Commissioner Financial Health Webinar Series - <i>Building a Better Budget.</i> Do you know how to build a budget? How much of your income should you be setting aside? During our Building a Better Budget presentation we will go over how to track and budget your monthly expenses while setting financial goals. Register here.	1 hour
Thursday, November 18, 2021	10:00AM— 11:30AM CST	Live Webinar	 Simon Sinek Inspired Learning Series - <i>“Raise Your Resilience.”</i> We don’t thrive despite our challenges. We thrive because of our challenges. As human beings, difficulty often reveals our strongest qualities and most positive resources. Difficulty teaches us how to keep going. Difficulty teaches us how to be resilient. In this session, you’ll learn to combine your own experience of overcoming difficulty with the science of resilience to develop a plan for proactively responding to challenges that activates the six core dimensions of resilience For more info and enrollment, click here.	90 Minutes
Thursday, November 18, 2021	1:00PM— 2:00PM	Live Webinar	 NISOD Webinar Series –<i>“Leaving Space for Creativity”</i> Webinar participants explore various approaches, tools, and prompts for designing assignments that emphasize or encourage creativity in an online setting. When students are able to share some aspect of themselves, or have the space, permission, and confidence to create something that has personal meaning, they retain the information longer, are more excited about the topic, and gain the confidence to be creative in other aspects of their lives. Participants are provided with the opportunity to share personal stories, anecdotes, and questions. Register here.	1 hour
Tuesday, November 23, 2021	9:00AM— 10:30AM CST	Live Webinar	 Simon Sinek Inspired Learning Series - <i>“Reduce Your Anxiety and Stress.”</i> Building your emotional and mental resilience can mean managing the emotions that you yourself experience or that of those around you. When you build stronger emotional resilience and gain the ability to minimize stress and anxiety, it enables you to increase productivity, improve morale, enhance relationships with your team and boost company culture to retain top talent. \$85.00. For more info and enrollment, click here.	90 Minutes




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Thursday December 02, 2021	9:00AM— 4:00PM	Century City Campus	 <p>Vernon College Continuing Education Presents – “Conflict Management for Supervisors and Managers.” Is workplace conflict taking time away from important tasks? Taking your focus off providing high quality products and services for your customers? With a few basic tools, you can greatly improve your ability to get a handle on disruptive behaviors before they cause you money and give you a headache. Topics include: the costs of conflict, basic conflict resolution techniques, basic skills managers need to deal with conflict, basic mediation skills all managers need, and harnessing the power of positive conflict for better problem solving. Through case studies and classroom exercises, attendees will work through common workplace conflict situations and will leave with a plan to improve their skills in managing workplace conflict. Network with other area business professionals! Facilitator, Penny Miller, President, My HR Department. Cost: \$169.00. Supervisor approval required for reimbursement. Contact Tina Duke in the Continuing Education Department to register! It’s time to let your light shine!</p>	7 hours
December 02, 10, 14, or 21, 2021	2 hours, Various Times Available CST	Live Webinar	 <p>Simon Sinek Inspired Learning Series - “Start with WHY.” Most of us live our lives by accident, but our WHY allows us to live our lives on purpose. Whether you are an entrepreneur, a team member, or are seeking greater clarity for your next move, your WHY will lead you toward fulfillment in your work and life. This interactive class is designed to guide you through the steps to find your WHY—your personal purpose, cause, or belief. It takes a willingness to be open, to share personal stories, and to trust the process. And through it all, we’re there to help.” Cost: \$30.00 For more information and to register, click here.</p>	2 hours
Monday, December 06, 2021	1:00PM— 2:00PM	Live Webinar	 <p>NISOD Webinar Series –“ Where Are My Students? Increasing Online Presence Using Canvas.” A strong teacher presence has been shown to increase interaction and improve the faculty-student connection in online learning communities. In this webinar, participants explore nine examples of increasing online teacher presence in a Canvas course. Participants have access to a public Canvas course with examples of adding instructor presence using a module that includes learning objectives, lessons, activities, and assessments. A PDF PowerPoint consists of instructional videos to explain each created item in the Canvas course. Register here.</p>	1 hour





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Tuesday December 07, 2021	8:00AM— 12:00PM	Century City Campus	 <p>Vernon College Continuing Education Presents – “Communication Skills for Managers.” Communication is a critical skill for managers. This workshop will review some key areas of communication and provide tips to communicate effectively. Network with other area business professionals! Facilitator, Penny Miller, President, My HR Department. Cost: \$60.00. Supervisor approval required for reimbursement. Contact Tina Duke in the Continuing Education Department to register! It’s time to let your light shine!</p>	4 hours
Tuesday, December 07, 2021	10:00AM-10:15	Live Webinar	 <p>ERS Fitness Connect Community Meet Up: “Mindfulness Mindset” On the first Tuesday of the month starting in September running through December 7, 2021, take a 15-minute wellness break and attend these informational sessions. Each webinar will begin at 10 a.m. CT. Receive 1 hour of PD credit for attending all 4 sessions. Facilitators: Becky Gillespie, B.S., NASM, Onsite Wellness Coordinator, Blue Cross Blue Shield, and Angie Lederer, B.S., NASM- CPT, BCS, FNS, SFS , Onsite Wellness Coordinator, Blue Cross Blue Shield. Register here.</p>	.25 hours
Tuesday, December 14, 2021	12:00PM— 1:00PM	Live Webinar	 <p>NISOD Financial Literacy Series –“Two Things Are Certain in This World: Today We Are Going to Discuss One ~ Taxes!” (#4 of the 10 part series). Join Glenn Kent, financial advisor for Ameriprise, for this second entry in a 10 part complimentary Financial Literacy Series developed especially for NISOD. This session addresses one of the two “musts” in this world: taxes. Learn some of the underpinnings of our modern-day taxes, where our tax money goes, considerations when filing our tax returns, plus several additional facets of a part of our lives many would choose to do without. Register here.</p>	1 hour

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Thursday, December 16, 2021	1:00PM— 2:00PM	Live Webinar	<p>NACADA Web Event – “Build Your Advising Toolkit to Support Transfer Students”</p> <p>In this NACADA Advising Community on Transfer Students sponsored webinar, current AC Chair Jennifer Brown and Past AC Chair Karen Archambault will provide a "Transfer 101" orientation for advisors, focusing on the experience of transfer students beyond credits alone and including the logistical needs of transfer students, the academic experience, and the psycho-social strengths and challenges that these students experience. \$175.00. Register here.</p>	1 hour
				
Thursday, December 16, 2021	1:00PM— 2:00PM	Live Webinar	<p>NISOD Webinar Series – “Creating Engagement in the Virtual Classroom.” In this webinar, participants explore ways to create engagement through the tools provided by the virtual meeting platform Zoom. They also learn additional strategies such as group brainstorming, active roll call, movement, 40-second blah-blah-blah, and off-camera reflections that are designed to keep students focused and active during virtual classes. Participants learn to 1) create engagement by using the basic tools within the virtual meeting platform Zoom 2) create engagement by using additional strategies such as group brainstorming, active roll call, movement, the 40-second blah-blah-blah, and off-camera reflections to foster discussion and learning. Participants identify at least one tool/strategy to adapt for use in their own virtual courses. Register here.</p>	1 hour
				

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Volunteering Opportunities

<p>Saturday, November 06, 2021</p>	<p>8:00AM— 7:00PM (Early, mid and late shifts available)</p>	<p>Boys and Girls Club of Vernon 2015 Yamparika St, Vernon, TX 76384</p>	<p>The Boys and Girls Club of Vernon Robotics Team Exhibition – Volunteers Needed. Assignments will include set up, break down, judging (training provided), and registration. The event will be at the Boys and Girls Club of Vernon and the contact is Mrs. Arrin Brummett (940) 886-7482.</p>	<p>TBD</p>	
					
<p>Saturday, November 13, 2021</p>	<p>8:00AM—5:00PM (Morning and afternoon shifts available)</p>	<p>Build Site: 1636 Wilson Ave, Wichita Falls, TX.</p>	<p>Habitat for Humanity Volunteer Day. Approximately 553,742 people are homeless in America today. In Texas, approximately 25,848 are homeless—with the number of homeless people in Wichita Falls roughly topping out at 1,300 people. Together, we can help lower the number of homeless families that include veterans, the elderly, young adults and children and thus give someone a safe and warm place to call home. Volunteer today to be a part of the solution! In addition to making a difference, contributing to the community, and meeting new people, participants receive 3 hours of community service professional development credit. Family, friends, church groups, students and student groups welcome! Lunch provided! See you there! Morning Shift Sign-up (8a-12p) and Afternoon Shift Sign-up (1:00P-5:00p).</p>	<p>3 hours</p>	
					
<p>Thursday, November 25, 2021</p>	<p>9:00AM— 1:00PM</p>	<p>2100 Yamparika St, Vernon, TX 76384</p>	<p>Holiday Spirit Meal Event—Thanksgiving, Vernon. Volunteer for this annual Vernon tradition! Run plates at the event or deliver in town. Volunteers are also welcomed to help prepare food on Wednesday, from 9 a.m.—12:30 p.m. in the Wilbarger County Auditorium. In addition to making a difference, contributing to the community, and meeting new people, participants receive 3 hours of community service professional development credit. For more information and to volunteer, contact Sharon Goins at 940.414. 0414.</p>	<p>3 hours</p>	
					

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Late November through End of December 2021	Various Shifts	Hospice of Wichita Falls 4909 Johnson Rd, Wichita Falls, TX 76310	Hospice of Wichita Falls – Volunteering Opportunity. Hospice of Wichita Falls needs your help! Each year, HOWF conducts their “Tree of Lights” fundraiser. They receive thousands of donations from across the area, which allows them to provide care, hope, and support for all when illness threatens life. Their practice is to send a hand written thank you to each donor! Keeping up with the thank you letters that need to go out is difficult! HOWF has reached out personally and asked if we would help hand-address thank-you letters and notificant cards for their donors. This process will occur after Thanksgiving through the end of December. Volunteers will assemble on the HOWF premises due to donor privacy issues. Contact Erin Spiva at 940.691.0982, ext. 4655 to set up your volunteering time! Friends, family, students welcome.	3 hours	
	Saturday, December 18, 2021	Various Shifts	Downtown Wichita Falls	City Lights Downtown Festival 2021. The Annual City Lights Festival and Parade is a bit different this year, as Downtown Wichita Falls Development is conducting a stationary parade. Events span several down town city blocks. Volunteers are needed for Scavenger Hunt Sign up Stations, Float Managers, Parade Route Directors, Santa Land Attendants, Wine Walk/Cookie Crawl Sign-up Stations, Luminaria Park Attendees, S’mores Station Attendees. Free festive t-shirt and admittance to all activities. In addition contributing to the community, and meeting new people, and having fun--participants receive 3 hours of community service professional development credit. For more information, contact Jeanette Charos at 940.322.4525. See the sign-up form here.	3 hours
	Saturday, December 25, 2021	9:00AM—1:00PM	2100 Yamparika St, Vernon, TX 76384	Holiday Spirit Meal Event—Christmas, Vernon. Volunteer for this annual Vernon tradition! Run plates at the event or deliver in town. Volunteers are also welcomed to help prepare food on Friday, from 9 a.m.—12:30 p.m. in the Wilbarger County Auditorium. In addition to making a difference, contributing to the community, and meeting new people, participants receive 3 hours of community service professional development credit. For more information and to volunteer, contact Sharon Goins at 940.414. 0414.	3 hours
					

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<p>Through December</p>	<p>Mobile Food Pantry Volunteer Schedule</p>	<p>1230 Midwestern Parkway Wichita Falls, TX 76302</p>	<p>Wichita Falls Area Food Bank. Since 1982 the Wichita falls Area Food Bank has distributed food free of charge to the clients of charitable partner agencies and programs operating in 12 North Texas counties. The success of their mission depends upon the active compassion and participation of their supporters—you! Currently, the WFAFB is in dire need of volunteers! Teams/departments are encouraged to volunteer together! In addition to making a difference, contributing to the community, and meeting new people, participants receive 3 hours of community service professional development credit. To receive more information and volunteer, please complete the volunteer application.</p>	<p>3 hours</p>	
	<p>Ongoing</p>	<p>Volunteer Schedule</p>	<p>1300 Travis St, Wichita Falls, TX 76301</p>	<p>Faith Mission of Wichita Falls. The mission of Faith Mission is to “Provide Christ-centered programs and services that lead the homeless towards self-sufficiency.” This challenge is only accomplished through collaborative efforts with the community, unique social service programs, volunteers, staff, and a strong Board of Directors. Faith Mission serves the homeless through two shelters, Faith Mission and Faith Refuge. All services are made possible through the generosity of individuals, churches, businesses, and foundations. Faith Resale & Donation Center also returns profits to help with operating expenses of both shelters. There are many ways Vernon College can partner with Wichita Falls Faith Mission to minister to the hungry, hurting, homeless, and disadvantaged persons. In addition to making a difference, contributing to the community, and meeting new people, participants receive 3 hours of community service professional development credit. See the volunteer need here. Register yourself here. Register your departmental team here.</p>	<p>3 hours</p>
	<p>Ongoing</p>	<p>10:30AM-12:30AM Monday through Friday</p>	<p>1008 Burnett Street Wichita Falls, TX 76301</p>	<p>Meals on Wheels-Wichita Falls. The Kitchen serves over 850 seniors, homebound and disabled individuals each weekday Monday through Friday through their Meals on Wheels program. To continue this critical mission, Meals on Wheels of Wichita Falls is in need of volunteers to deliver meals. Loading and delivery take place between 10:30AM -12:30PM, and ideally, delivery is completed no later than 1:30PM. If you and/or your team/department would like to participate, please contact volunteer coordinator Lee Grace directly at 940.631.8920 or lgrace@thekitchenwf.org. Complete the volunteer application here. In addition to making a difference, contributing to the community, and meeting new people, participants receive 3 hours of community service professional development credit. Together, we can deliver!</p>	<p>3 hours</p>
					



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