

# COLORADO NORTHWESTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE

President's Report  
Ron Granger, President  
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## Transform the Student Experience

Our Phi Theta Kappa chapter on the Rangely Campus held the spring induction ceremony in April. We had 21 new students inducted into the organization. PTK is an honor society organization that has grown to include international colleges along with community colleges throughout the United States. We want to congratulate all of the new inductees.



Our graduation is set for May 7. This year we will be awarding over 165 diplomas and certificates. Our ceremony will be held in person with some limited seating. We are excited that we will be able to have a live ceremony this year for these hard-working students. We congratulate all of them.

McKenna Clingman qualified for the CNFR (College National Finals Rodeo) in goat tying. McKenna is not only a great athlete but has been a stellar student at CNCC. We wish her the best at Nationals in June.



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Our baseball, softball and soccer programs are going strong this spring. Although all of the seasons were delayed and shortened, they are now almost half way through. The student athletes have worked hard to be able to participate in the programs and at the same time maintain good academic standing.



Our Equine Program has been working with colt training with some of our students. This program gives the students the opportunity to train colts for riding and handling. The program has been very successful and is invaluable for these students and their horses.



## Transform Our Own Workforce Experience

With the hiring of Dr. Lisa Jones as the new president at CNCC, the entire college is working with her on a smooth transition. Dr. Jones and President Granger have been communicating on several things and will continue to do so over the next several months. We are looking forward to her arrival at CNCC and plan to have a very warm welcome when her and her family become part of CNCC.

## Create Education without Barriers through Transformational Partnerships

CNCC rodeo held its first “Spartan Showdown” this year. We were motivated to hold this rodeo because of the cancellations throughout the year of other college rodeos. We had colleges from Colorado, Nevada, Idaho, Utah, and Wyoming participate in the event that was very successful. For many of the rodeo athletes, this rodeo was needed for them to qualify for nationals in Casper, Wyoming.



Ron Granger and Keely Ellis attended the AGNC meeting in Meeker. The guest speaker for the event was Colorado Attorney General Phil Weiser. Attorney General Weiser was the catalyst for our Cyber Security Program and awarded CNCC a \$500,000 grant last year to start the program.

**Redefine Our Value Proposition through Accessibility, Affordability, Quality, Accountability, Resource Development, and Operational Excellence**

This is budget season for all the colleges. Our business office has been working with all departments and our taxing boards on budget changes, deletions, and additions. We feel we will be in very good shape entering the new budget year. With that being said, we are waiting for the final budget bill to be completed to see if we will have the IT infrastructure money to upgrade our campuses and provide our students with better connections and safer campuses.