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TO: Board of Regents

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RE: Campus Report for the May 2023 Board of Regents' Meeting

- In honor of Women's History Month, Dawson Community College ASB representatives partnered with the Glendive Chamber of Commerce to host a Women's Leadership Panel Discussion in March 2023. The panel discussion was exceptionally well attended by students on campus and community members. The panel was made up of local women here in Glendive – all of them serving in leadership roles.
- Dawson Community College hosted a Health Fair for students. The Health Fair was done through a partnership with One Health. Several organizations from within the community attended and introduced students to all the resources available to them.
- Dawson Community College started sending several employees through the Work Safe Champion Program through the Montana State Fund. The program runs for ten months and includes a monthly meeting where the employees from various areas meet and discuss workplace safety and risk mitigation.
- Dawson Community College hosted its first Career Readiness Bonanza. This event was designed to expose students to local employers as they prepare to enter or grow in the workplace. There was a presentation on interview skills, soft skills, resume skills, and included a panel discussion representing each general industry in the workforce.
- Dawson Community College hosted an art exhibition titled Art Majors and Minors. The art collection was comprised of work predominately created by sophomore students. It was open to the public and attended well by students, employees, and the community.
- Dawson Community College hosted a non-traditional event by an alumnus of DawsonCC. The event was a live-action MMA/Boxing match where several local

fighters could fight in their hometown. The event was a fundraiser for childhood cancer research, and almost one thousand community members attended.

- High-Tiered COP Conference – Dawson Community College hosted the High-Tiered Community of Practice Spring Conference. The conference focused on best practices for individuals that work with Montana’s most vulnerable youth in and out of the foster care and jail system. This was the first time the event was hosted in Eastern Montana, and the work done through the Dawson Promise program brought the group to DawsonCC.
- Human Trafficking and Internet Safety Training – The Eastern Montana Human Trafficking Task Force provided training on human trafficking and internet safety to students and community members. This training provided a first-hand look at the tactics currently used to traffic individuals, both sexual and labor, as well as and how exposed your personal life really is.
- Fifteen employees of DawsonCC attended a Mental Health First Aid Training here on campus. The training focused on educating employees on the importance of self-care and how to recognize red flags and mental health concerns with the students. This training occurred to ensure that the mental health of students at DawsonCC is being met.