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Polytechnic Newsletter June 2022

Building Strong Communities



Bismarck State College (BSC) carpentry students recently completed the building of this home!

Each year students in the BSC [Carpentry Program](#) have an opportunity to learn all aspects of residential carpentry by building a single-family home. The idea behind the program is to give students real life experience. Nineteen students worked to build the house; the students spent 750 hours at the construction site totaling over 12,000 hours.

The general timeline has concrete work being completed over the summer. After safety training and basic skills training at BSC, the students start framing the house in late September and complete the house during the second week of May. The carpentry program has worked with many different developers and local businesses. The advisory committee's support, along with the provided supplies, contributes to the success of this noteworthy project.

Best of all, students receive an education that makes them workforce ready, and will serve them well over the span of a lifetime.

Connecting Talent to Opportunity



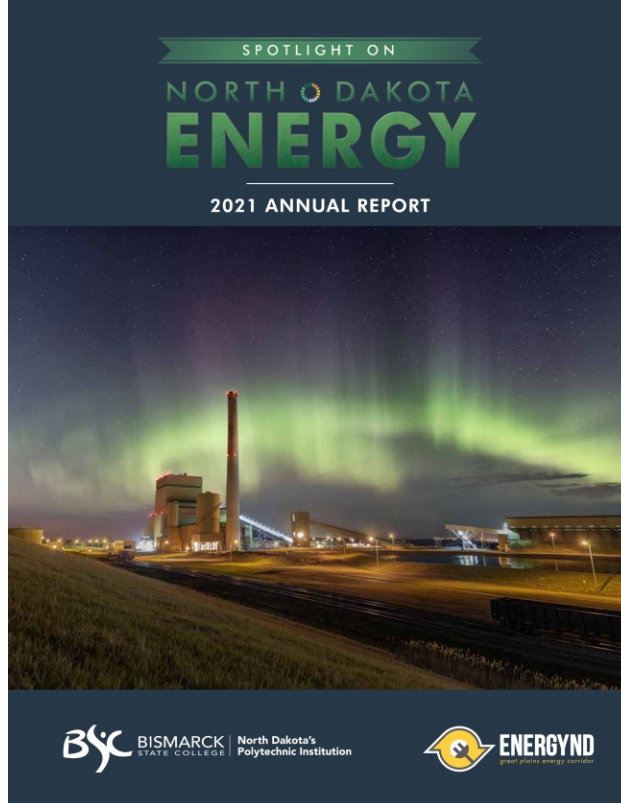
The Bismarck State College **Lineworker Program** Class of 2022 is off and running and putting their newly learned skills to work. Recent graduates were featured in a **KFYR** news story that highlighted this high demand career. The lineworker program exemplifies BSC's **Polytechnic** mission of hands-on learning and making students workforce ready, and for these students, the immediate results of the Polytechnic mindset is evident with a great return on investment for all.

BSC Graduation Day

On May 13, 2022, the 82nd commencement ceremony for Bismarck State College graduates was held at the Bismarck Event Center. All students who graduated during Fall 2021, Spring 2022, and Summer 2022 were able to participate in the ceremony. The ceremony was a celebration of student achievement and new beginnings. The commencement speaker was **Major General Alan Dohrmann**. The student speaker was Abrielle Schantz who graduated from BSC's **Nursing Program** with an Associate in Applied Science degree. The BSC Commencement Ceremony was open to family, friends and the general public. Congratulations to all the graduates and their families!



North Dakota's Energy Annual Report



The 2021 edition of the Great Plains Energy Corridor's **Spotlight on North Dakota Energy** is now available! The report is a statistical overview of all forms of energy in North Dakota for the year 2021. The publication is updated annually and distributed at the end of the first quarter of the following year. Together, with industry partners and the **EmPower North Dakota Commission**, up-to-date information can be found in the report. This project is funded through an award granted by the **North Dakota Department of Commerce** State Energy Program.

Out & About



Bismarck State College and **American Crystal Sugar Company**, who have an existing partnership, attended the Hillsboro T4 (Tools Trades Torque Tech) event together on May 4th. Students in grades 11th & 12th from surrounding schools (Central Valley, Finley-Sharon, Hatton, Hillsboro, Hope-Paige, Larimore, Mayville-Port, Northwood, and Thompson) were invited to attend this one-day event.

American Crystal Sugar talked about their company, career opportunities, and how education plays a role in that. BSC presented on various energy programs related to industry jobs and included a 3D tour of a process facility during their presentation, and also shared a 3D virtual tour of the NECE. BSC was represented by Michael Chamberlain, Erin Thomas, Darin Unterseher. American Crystal Sugar was represented by Ben Doyle-Director of Workforce Development and Kyle Kidder-Technical Training

Lead.

In partnership with BSC, American Crystal is offering 100% fully paid [scholarships](#) for students pursuing AAS degrees in [Power Generation Technology](#) or [Process Technology](#).

BSC Summer Open House - June 3

Bismarck State College will be hosting an [open house](#) on June 3 from 10:30am - 2:30pm at BSC's [National Energy Center of Excellence](#). Come learn about new certificate and degree options at Bismarck State College that are designed to enhance your existing credentials and keep you workforce-ready.

Attendees will be able to learn about academic offerings, visit with staff in student services areas, and apply on site with no application fee. Walking tours of campus are available at 11:00 and 1:00, and lunch will be provided.

This is a great opportunity for those looking to complete a degree or certificate program, or get started in college for the first time, to get all their questions answered with one trip to campus. Registration is encouraged but not required. We hope to see you there!

[Summer Open House Sign Up](#)

Come See Us

Upcoming Events

- June 3: [BSC Summer Open House](#)-Bismarck State College
- June 6-8: [IgniteND](#)-Bismarck State College
- June 6-9: [FFA State Convention](#), Fargo
- June 13-15: [MedAdventure Camp](#)-Bismarck State College
- June 20-24: [Career Explorer Seminar](#)-Bismarck State College
- June 20-24: [Welding Camp](#)-Bismarck State College
- Aug 1-5: [GenCyber](#)-Bismarck State College
- Aug 8-10: [CTE PD Conference](#), Bismarck
- Sept 28-29: [BSC T4](#)-Bismarck State College
- Oct 4-5: [CYBERCON](#)-Bismarck State College

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