



#NWCcares



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In February, the Northwest College Men's Soccer Team launched an Anti-Bullying Campaign. As collegiate athletes, team members believe they have a responsibility to give voice to those who are hurting and scared because they are being bullied. Throughout the month of February, NWC athletes posted powerful images and facts on bullying on social media. The athletes hope to make the posts as viral as possible. National Junior College Athletic Association even picked up the story and featured Northwest on its home webpage.

You can participate by following the campaign [HERE](#) and sharing the posts.

Let these images speak loudly to you.

The next time you see someone being bullied **SPEAK OUT AGAINST IT.**

#NWCjazzes



NWC's Studio Singers dazzled and captivated crowds—two standing ovations!—at the Jazz Education Network Conference (JEN) in Dallas, Texas. Producing the largest performance/educational conference to the global jazz community, JEN has become the leader in networking students, educators and performers in this musical art form. Music accolades kept coming when Brennan Baglio, NWC coordinator of music and director of choirs, was honored the next week with the 2018 Wyoming Jazz Educator of the Year Award.

With cause to celebrate, a gala is in order! NWC music students and faculty perform popular selections and jazz standards at the third annual **Boots and BowTies Music Gala**, Saturday, April 14, at the Holiday Inn in Cody. Guests are treated to a three-course dinner, along with raffle opportunities, a silent auction and cash bar. Reserve tickets by calling 307-754-6425 or going online [HERE](#). All proceeds from the event will support NWC music activities and scholarships.

#NWCexcels



Accreditation:

1: to give official authorization to or approval of:
c: to recognize (an educational institution) as maintaining standards that qualify the graduates for admission to higher or more specialized institutions or for professional practice
– Merriam-Webster

Your alma mater just hit the accreditation ball out of the park! After nearly three years of assessing, evaluating and writing, NWC hosted a visiting team from the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) last fall. The result: The HLC's recently-received accreditation report is among the most positive in Northwest's history. Allowing students to receive financial aid and have credits accepted at transfer institutions are basic elements at the core of any institution of higher education. Not only was NWC's accreditation continued until 2025 and HLC criteria were met, prior concerns are now extinguished. **A home run for Northwest!**

#NWCmentors



President Stefani Hicswa will be awarded the 2018 Shirley B. Gordan Award of Distinction at the 2018 Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) annual convention in Kansas City, Missouri at the end of April. Only 35 presidents and campus CEOs were selected for this award (from 1,250 plus chapters both national and international), which is given based on outstanding efforts promoting the PTK goals.

PTK, an international honor society for two-year colleges, requires its members to complete 12 credit hours or more with a minimum GPA of 3.5.

One of the students involved with President Hicswa's nomination wrote: "President Hicswa is always accessible to lend a helping hand or offer guidance to our students. . . . Her office door is always open. Many students have been invited into her home for dinner. President Hicswa also acts as a mentor for our students. . . .many of whom, like President Hicswa, come from a rural background and are the first in their families to attend college. Our students look to her as an example of what they can become."

Congratulations, President Hicswa, on this well-deserved honor !



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