Sanctioned Student Organizations/Programs

Alpha Sigma Lambda National Honor Society - Alpha Sigma Lambda National Honor Society is a nonprofit organization devoted to the advancement of scholarship and to the recognition of non-traditional students continuing their higher education. Membership is extended by invitation in the spring of the academic year. The Nu Sigma Chi Chapter at Northeast State is one of over 300 institutional chapters throughout the United States. Virginia Salmon (L304, ext. 3323), Maggie Flint (F232, ext. 3391), and Mahmood Sabri (F203, ext. 3372) serve as advisors.

American Welding Society (AWS) - Northeast State's student section of the American Welding Society promotes the application and research of welding/metal fabrication among students. Educational development, sound practices, and career opportunities are emphasized. Jeremy Maskew (S100, ext. 3399) is the faculty advisor.

Argumentation and Debate Society - The purpose of the Argumentation and Debate Society is to provide students with an opportunity to participate in competitive forensic tournaments. The society also provides learners with a forum for free expression and offers opportunities for students to voice their opinions on current events and matters of interest to the academic community. Rick Merritt (H215, ext. 3691), Laura Barnett (H206, ext. 3356), and Ruth Livingston (H214, ext. 7657) are the faculty advisors.

Art Club – The Art Club is open to all Northeast State students, faculty and staff. Our purpose is to promote an appreciation of visual artistic expression on the Northeast State Community College campus. We seek to provide a forum through which Northeast State students, in particular, can obtain professional skills relevant to support academic endeavors in the visual arts. This organization will also provide students, faculty, staff, and the community opportunities to develop skills in a variety of visual art media. Christal Hensley (H120, 354.2595) is the advisor.

Association for Computing Machinery (ACM) - The Association for Computing Machinery is an international scientific and educational professional organization dedicated to advancing the arts, sciences, and applications of information technology. With a world-wide membership, ACM is a leading resource for computing professionals and students working in the various fields of information technology and for interpreting the impact of information technology on society. The Northeast State chapter provides a way for students to meet and interact with other members on the local level as well as participate in events sponsored by the professional organization on the regional and national levels. Allan Anderson (F208, ext. 3398) and Karen Nunan (F216, ext. 3384) serve as faculty advisors.

Black Student Association (BSA) - The Black Student Association is an educational and cultural non-profit and non-political organization based at Northeast State. The organization is open to all Northeast State students, faculty, and staff. Its primary purpose is to serve the interests of minority students. The BSA provides a professional, informational, and social network for students of African descent to ensure their retention, academic excellence, and participation in student life at Northeast State. Contact advisor Sherman Patrick (H111, ext. 2493) for more information.

Campus Christian Fellowship (CCF) - The Campus Christian Fellowship provides opportunities for students and employees to meet regularly to enjoy Christian fellowship and fun. Meetings include music, prayer, devotions, Bible study, and praise and worship, as well as fun and laughter. Activities may be held in conjunction with Campus Crusade members and events. The club may also sponsor speakers or musical concerts for the campus, attend area concerts and participate in school-wide events. Mary Ella Poteat (F240, ext. 3390) and Kim Nunn (F227, ext. 3353) are the faculty advisors.

Campus Tour Guides - This program is open to all students who have an interest in providing tours to prospective students, parents, and visitors to Northeast State's main campus. Applications are accepted each semester for a limited number of positions. More information, including eligibility requirements, may be obtained by contacting Deb Johnson (P201B, ext. 3229).

Clinical Laboratory Science Club - The Clinical Laboratory Science Club promotes understanding of the field of laboratory medicine through scheduled meetings, distribution of educational materials, participation in recruitment opportunities at elementary/secondary schools and organizations, as well as through community service projects. Funds are raised to attend state and national meetings for the purpose of continuing education and networking with peers. Anyone interested in club membership is invited to join. Rose Marie Spangler (RCHP 124, ext. 5500) is the faculty advisor.

The Cor Group – The Cor Group is a Christian organization for members of the NSCC community. Our name is derived from a teaching of John Henry Cardinal Newman, "Cor ad cor loquitur," meaning heart speaks to heart. This phrase embodies the vital calling of Christians to speak with more than just words and to reach out with love to the hearts of others. We are involved with ETSU's Catholic Center, and Fr. Michael Cummins leads most of our discussions and activities. We are not exclusive to any denomination and our members come from a variety of backgrounds. All are welcome! Sam Rowell (A216, ext. 3382) and Linda Hamilton (C2409, ext. 3342) serve as advisors**.**

Council for Leadership, Advocacy, and Student Success (CLASS) - Northeast State 's Council for Leadership, Advocacy, and Student Success strives to improve the quality of student life by representing the student body, providing leadership in the development of campus-wide activities, and promoting communication between students, administration, faculty, and staff. For more information, visit the CLASS Office in Room A212C of the Student Services Building or call 423.279.3697. Keith Glover (A213, ext. 3274) and Eric Fish (H118, ext. 3462) are the faculty advisors.

Criminal Justice Society (CJS) - The Criminal Justice Society serves as an organization dedicated to exposing students to critical issues of justice and equal treatment in America by agencies of the criminal justice system. To accomplish this goal, the society promotes excellence in the education of criminal justice; strives to promote better relations between local criminal justice agencies and the general public; serves as a liaison between local agencies and Northeast State, and provides members with information on the varied nature of career opportunities in criminal justice. Steve Buttolph (H216, ext. 3227) is the faculty advisor.

Cultural Activities - The Cultural Activities Committee (which includes two student representatives) identifies, plans, and coordinates a series of cultural events and activities each year. Performers include regionally or nationally known artists, musicians, singers, dancers, writers, and lecturers. The performances are free and open to the public. Jim Kelly (H108, ext. 7669) is the committee chair.

Drama Club - The Drama Club is open to all students, faculty, and staff who want to expand their understanding and enjoyment of drama. Students who are interested in acting, directing, working backstage, or just watching live theatre are encouraged to join. Drama Club members raise funds to assist with travel to see top quality productions. Eric Fish (H118, ext. 3462) and Elizabeth Sloan (H106, ext. 3279) are the faculty advisors.

Echoes and Images - *Echoes and Images* is Northeast State's student literary magazine. Published in the spring, the magazine features poems, short stories, essays, and visual art by currently enrolled students. Entry deadline for submissions is at the end of the fall semester. Exact dates are posted during the fall semester. Cash prizes are awarded to the first- and second-place winners in each category. *Echoes and Images* has been consistently recognized for excellence by the Southern Division of the Community College Humanities Association. Tempi Hale (H102, ext. 3394), Tamara Baxter (H123, ext. 3363), Christal Hensley (H120, ext. 3395) and Sandra Hiortdahl (H220, ext. 5176) are the faculty editors.

Electrical Technology Club - The Electrical Technology Club is open to all students currently registered at Northeast State majoring in the field of electrical technology. Its purpose is to contribute to campus life and individual development by giving students a greater opportunity to meet others with the same interests and goals. Meeting topics may include current employment opportunities as well as guest speakers seeking employees. Fred Cope (T102A, ext. 3442) and Steve Smith (T104A, ext. 3472) are the faculty advisors.

Gay – Straight Alliance (GSA) – The Primary objective of the Gay – Straight Alliance is to provide social and educational support outlets and to promote equality, understanding, and acceptance of all students, faculty, and staff members of the NeSCC community regardless of sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression. Francis Canedo (H107, ext. 3694) is the advisor.

GREENS - (**GR**assroots **E**nvironmental **E**fforts at **N**ortheast **S**tate) is a club for students, staff, and faculty who are interested in helping preserve our fragile environment. The club's main focus is to foster environmental leadership and stewardship here at Northeast State and beyond. We will accomplish this through education and action. Everyone has a part to play, and we intend to educate others on how they can participate in this worthwhile effort. Jim Henrichs (P202, ext. 3275) serves as advisor.

Health and Wellness Education - The focus of the Health and Wellness Education program sponsored by Northeast State 's Student Health Services is on health promotion and illness prevention through workshops, distribution of educational materials, and sponsorship of the annual Wellness Fair. Awareness programs focus on the 10 major national health issues: physical activity, overweight and obesity, tobacco use, substance abuse, responsible sexual behavior, mental health, injury and violence, immunization, environmental quality, and access to health

care. Special educational programs and events are scheduled for National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week, National Depression Screening Day, the Great American Smokeout, Eating Disorders Awareness Week, and World AIDS Day. Sue Robertson (C2113, ext. 3212) is the College Nurse.

Honors Convocation - Northeast State recognizes its outstanding students each academic year during Honors Convocation held at the end of the spring semester. Awards for outstanding students in each academic program area and the overall Northeast State Outstanding Student Award are announced during the ceremony. In addition, students who have made significant contributions in various student life programs are honored. Contact Keith Glover in the Office of Student Life (A212, ext. 3274) for more information and award criteria.

Honors Program - The Honors Program holds as its central purpose and philosophy the stimulation and encouragement of academic excellence and intellectual growth. It strives to bring together dedicated faculty and highly motivated students who share a commitment to the finest qualities of scholarship. The Honors Program is open to new and currently enrolled students who meet eligibility requirements. Honors Program course offerings are listed in the published semester schedule under the Honors heading. Additional information is available from Jane Honeycutt (H203, ext. 3396) who serves as coordinator of the program.

Institutional Standing Committees - Northeast State students have the opportunity to serve on various institutional standing and ad hoc committees that advise, recommend policy, generate new programs, or assess existing programs at the college. These committees are advisory rather than directive. Students are appointed to these committees by the Vice President for Student Affairs. Contact Keith Glover in the Office of Student Life (A212, ext. 3274) for more information.

The International Club – The Multicultural Awareness Club is open to all Northeast State Community College students, faculty and staff. Our purpose is to provide a forum through which Northeast State students, in particular, can gain and share knowledge and experiences about world cultures. We also seek to offer community and support for Northeast State Community College's international students. Through service, fellowship, and cultural activities, this organization will promote multicultural awareness in an effort to educate our students, staff, faculty and local community about our diverse world. Kristin Lazarova (H207, 423.354.2554), Maria Floresguerra (B204G, 423.354.5131), and Christal Hensley (H120, 423.354.2595) are the faculty advisors.

Los Americanos – Los Americanos strives to teach awareness and understanding of Hispanic culture and traditions, as well as of the Spanish language. The club seeks to introduce members to a variety of concerns, issues, and current events that impact the Latin community. Students are not required to speak Spanish to become members of the organization. Francis Canedo (H107, ext. 3694) is the faculty advisor.

The Lyceum - The Lyceum is a lecture series sponsored by the Honors Program at Northeast State. Guest lecturers representing a variety of disciplines and perspectives present programs to stimulate critical thinking and to enlighten students, faculty, staff, and the community. Lectures

are free and open to the public. For each semester's Lyceum schedule, contact Jane Honeycutt (H203, ext. 3396), who serves as coordinator of the Honors Program.

Motorsports Club of Northeast State – The purpose of the Motorsports Club is to foster education in the maintenance and modifications of not only automobiles, but all modes of transportation. It is meant for member enjoyment, student-based growth, expanding and fostering friendships, and developing leadership skills in a friendly environment over a common interest. Ernie Morelock (S102, ext. 3463) is the faculty advisor.

Musicians and Poets Society - The purpose of the Musicians and Poets Society is to provide a network for musicians and poets among the student body and community, and to provide them a platform from which to meld and diversify as artists. This Society will strive to stimulate and encourage the production, application, and collaboration of spoken and/or written word in verse, prose, and poetry by and for the members of the group and the community and to further develop talents and skills possessed by the group, individually and collectively, in learning how to integrate and implement these talents and skills with similar and different musicians, and combining with other artists visions and artworks to produce art as a group, as to diversify as individuals. Tawana Teague (H208, ext. 5164) and Josh Archer (H121, ext. 3357) serve as faculty advisors.

Northeast State at Elizabethton Service Club - The Northeast State at Elizabethton Service Club strives to generate and foster awareness and public interest within the community for Northeast State at Elizabethton. The club provides opportunities for students, staff, and faculty to develop leadership skills and to promote civic responsibility by working together through club activities. Contact advisor Faye Fair (E112, ext. 3417) for more information.

Northeast State "Glee" Club – The Northeast State "Glee" Club is open to all Northeast State Community College students who have an interest in music. The purpose of Northeast State "Glee" Club is to create and foster fellowship by giving students an opportunity to meet with one another, exchange ideas, encourage the understanding of the cultures of all students, develop character and leadership, and promote activities that stress the love and importance of music in our lives. Tawana Teague (H208, ext. 5164) serves as faculty advisor.

Northeast State at Kingsport Service Club - The Northeast State at Kingsport Service Club strives to generate and foster awareness and public interest within the community for Northeast State at Kingsport. The club provides opportunities for students, staff, and faculty to develop leadership skills and to promote civic responsibility by working together through club activities. Devin Neubrander (KCHE106, ext. 5541) serves as advisor.

Northeast State National Alumni Association - This association is open to all former students who have taken credit courses at Northeast State or the college by its former name, Tri-Cities State Technical Institute. The purpose of the association is to further interest in Northeast State and to foster communication between the college and its alumni. The association holds several events each year that encourage alumni to renew their ties with the institution and to cultivate friendships and professional relationships. Contact Heather Cook (P316, ext. 3439) for more information.

Northeast State Scholars Foundation – The purpose of the Northeast State Scholars Foundation is to support the activities of the Northeast State Community College Foundation through student-driven initiatives that promote private giving and service learning. As a Student Foundation, the organization cultivates philanthropy among campus constituencies and seeks to incorporate philanthropic campaigns within the College's mission. Membership is comprised voluntarily of students receiving Northeast State Scholarships, enrolling in the Northeast State Honors Program, or earning memberships in the campus honor societies. Contact Rayma Gibbs (F100, ext. 7637), or Erin Blevins (F100B, ext. 3307) for more information.

Northeast State Student Navigators - This organization is a community relations support group representing Northeast State. It is the Navigators' duty to promote and uphold the vision, mission, and guiding beliefs of the college to the students, faculty, and staff as well as the five-county service area. The Northeast State Student Navigators contribute valuable time and effort toward enhancing the community relations and enrollment efforts of the college. The service provided by the Navigators organization is not duplicated by any other sanctioned student organization. Applications and/or additional information may be obtained by contacting Keith Glover (A213, ext. 3274) or Beverly Leonard (A212B, ext. 3416).

Northeast State Student Nurses Association - With a membership of approximately 56,000 nationwide, the National Student Nurses' Association mentors the professional development of future registered nurses and facilitates their entrance into the profession by providing educational resources, leadership opportunities, and career guidance www.nsna.org. Colleges nationwide are invited to develop chapter associations to connect nursing students with each other across the State of Tennessee and across the United States. The goals of the chapter at Northeast State are to provide nursing students in Upper East Tennessee with educational enrichment, peer support and opportunities to advance within their developing profession of nursing. Katherine C. Hall, MSN, RN, (RCHP 211, Ext. 5123) and Cindy D. Phillips, MSN, RN (RCHP 243, Ext. 5504) serve as faculty advisors.

Personal Experiences Empowering People's Self-Confidence (PEEPS) – PEEPS is open to all Northeast State Community College students. Our purpose is to help others learn from objective judgments, provide lasting experiences and friendships, plus offer opportunities to participate in diverse social activities and provide volunteer mentoring. Laura Barnett (H206, ext. 3356) and Jane Honeycutt (H203, ext. 3396) are the faculty advisors.

Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society - This organization is the international honor society that recognizes and promotes commitment to academic excellence in two-year colleges. Phi Theta Kappa supports the four hallmarks of Scholarship, Leadership, Service, and Fellowship that are designed to give members opportunities for personal and academic growth as well as service to others. The Northeast State chapter is Alpha Iota Chi, and it has achieved five-star status, the highest level of participation in Phi Theta Kappa activities. Jane Honeycutt (H203, ext. 3396) is the faculty advisor.

President's Student Advisory Council - The President's Student Advisory Council provides the president of Northeast State with a student perspective on activities and/or issues prevailing on the campus and makes suggestions and recommendations as deemed appropriate. Contact Keith Glover in the Office of Student Life (A212, ext. 3274) for more information.

Psi Beta - Psi Beta is the National Honor Society of Psychology for two-year colleges, a member of the Association of College Honor Societies, and an affiliate of the American Psychological Association and the American Psychological Society. This organization serves as a means of national recognition for students' interest and dedication to the field of psychology and scholastic advancement. It also provides opportunities to become acquainted with the broader field of psychology and provides a forum for developing one's perspective as it builds a sense of community among those in the field. Faculty advisors are Kristin Lazarova (H207, ext. 3354) and Lisa Poole (H205, ext. 3486).

Psychological Society - The Psychological Society welcomes students from all majors who have an interest in psychology. With an emphasis on scholarship and service, the Psychological Society endeavors to provide members with the skills and resources needed to serve their community and excel in their career and educational goals. To accomplish this, the club sponsors lectures, community service projects, field trips, and other activities. Faculty advisors are Kristin Lazarova (H207, ext. 3354) and Lisa Poole (H205, ext. 3486).

Sci-fi/Fantasy Guild - The Sci-fi/Fantasy Guild is open to all students, faculty, and staff who enjoy science fiction and fantasy literature, film, games, and culture. The Sci-fi/Fantasy Guild will have book and film discussions, themed fundraisers, and special interest outings. Nona Shepherd (H104, ext. 3686) and Audrey Peters (H123, ext. 3397) are the faculty advisors.

Society of Manufacturing Engineers (SME) - This organization promotes the advancement of scientific knowledge in the field of manufacturing. Activities allow the application of knowledge in practice and in educational settings. Established in 1932, SME has more than 200 student chapters worldwide. Sam Rowell (A216, ext. 3382) and Michael McAninch (C2112, ext. 3385) are the faculty advisors.

Student Activities – Cocurricular activities such as Fall Finale, Spring Fling, campus-wide fundraisers and competitions, student appreciation events, and club fairs are planned each semester to benefit the student body and are sponsored by the Council for Leadership, Advocacy, and Student Success. For more information, visit the CLASS Office in Room A212C of the Student Services Building or call 423.279.3697. Keith Glover (A213, ext. 3274) is the Director of Student Life.

Student Biological Society (SBS) - The Student Biological Society is open to any and all students with an interest in the biological sciences. Participating students expand their knowledge of biology through group discussions, off-campus field trips, and research projects. The society also takes part in campus fundraising events to assist with travel expenses. SBS is an excellent opportunity to build relationships with other students and faculty with a shared interest in the life sciences. Faculty advisors are Dale Ledford (B204A, ext. 5191) and Jennifer Cooke (B204C, ext. 3503).

Student Historical Society - The purpose of the Student Historical Society is to provide positive experiences and learning opportunities within all aspects of history. Goals of the society include expansion of knowledge through activities and discussion; increase campus awareness of historical events; and to foster relationships between students and faculty. David Toye (H103, ext. 3361) and Stuart Frye (H110, ext. 5113) serve as faculty advisors.

Student Mathematics League (SML) - The Student Mathematics League exists to strengthen and advance the study, appreciation, and application of mathematics within the Northeast State community, including residents of all ages in the college's service area. Activities include providing opportunities for students to compete in math contests, engaging students in enjoyable mathematical puzzles and games, sponsoring forums on the historical and future roles of mathematics in society, and establishing a network of tutoring support for the study of mathematics. The organization also hosts math fairs at local elementary schools to encourage mathematics education. Derrick Thacker (F236, ext. 3347), Cindy McNabb (F238, ext. 3364), and John Melendez (F231, ext. 3512) serve as faculty advisors.

Student Tennessee Education Association (STEA) - The Student Tennessee Education Association helps prepare the education major to assume the role of a teacher and make a smooth transition from the campus to the classroom. This pre-professional organization gives students a voice in education by working in conjunction with local, state, and national associations. STEA provides personal growth through community service projects and professional growth through leadership and teamwork opportunities. STEA helps prepare teachers for the challenges of the 21st Century classroom. Contact faculty advisors Mitzi Neeley (H204, ext. 3350), Deborah Ramey (H211, ext. 3365), and Tricia Clark (H212, ext. 5117) for more information.

Student Traffic Court - The Student Traffic Court hears cases of students contesting traffic citations that result from violations of the Northeast State Traffic and Parking Regulations. A Chief Justice, an Associate Chief Justice, and four Justices are selected from the student body through an application and interview process. Students who wish to contest a ticket during a regular court session must sign up for a hearing in the Office of Police and Safety and must present their tickets to the Student Traffic Court on the date of the hearing. Students may also submit appeals online at www.NortheastState.edu/trafficcourtappeal. Contact the Student Traffic Court in Room A212C of the Student Services Building or call 423.354.2416 for more information.

Tennessee Society of Professional Engineers (TSPE) - Northeast State's Student Chapter, a "Delta" chapter, affiliated with the Upper East Tennessee Chapter of the Tennessee Society of Professional Engineers (www.tnspe.org), a member State Society of the National Society of Professional Engineers (www.nspe.org), was recognized and certified eligible for participation in the Program for NSPE Student Chapters in May 1999. All students interested in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) are eligible to join. No dues are required, only a valid E-mail address. We have evolved to an "E" club to conserve energy and save costs - a "green" organization. We have eliminated weekly meetings. Members are kept informed electronically of interesting STEM activities - participating in those events subject to their interests and schedules. Contact Faculty Advisor, Dr. Mark A. Pollock, Ch.E. (UTK), P.E., Room: F-226, Office: 423.354.2506, Home: 423.929.8231.

Theatrical Activities - Theatrical Activities at Northeast State serve to identify, plan, coordinate, and present a series of dramatic performances each year. The performances are full-length productions that are open to the public. In an effort to provide a variety of programming, Northeast State offers theatre in its many forms (dramas, comedies, classics, and musicals). While the theatre program has a student-first policy when casting productions, members of the

community are encouraged to audition and are frequently cast in the shows. Elizabeth Sloan (H106, ext. 3279), is the director of the theatre program, contact her for more information.

A Toast to Education - A Toast to Education is a mutually supportive and positive learning environment in which each individual member has the opportunity to develop oral communication and leadership skills that foster self-confidence and personal growth. The purposes of the organization include helping its members improve their abilities to communicate effectively, encouraging members to read and listen analytically, and affording leadership training for its members. A Toast to Education is affiliated with Toastmasters International and the District of Toastmasters International organizations. Ruth Livingston (H214, ext. 7657) and Rick Merritt (H215, ext. 3691) serve as faculty advisors.

TRiO CLuB- The purpose of TRiO CLuB is to provide an opportunity for members to be involved in activities which will facilitate the development of a campus climate supportive of academic, social and personal success, build leadership skills, broaden individual experiences, and extend benevolence to others who are in need. It is open to all Student Support Services participants, staff, and any other enrolled Northeast Sate Community College student who is committed to the purpose of the organization. Teressa Dobbs (C1108, ext. 3291) and Donna Addington (C1107, ext. 3415) serve as advisors.

Volunteer Northeast State - The purpose of Volunteer Northeast State is to facilitate public and community service opportunities for students at Northeast State. This program and its related student organization provide the framework for experienced-based learning opportunities that develop student leadership and increased social responsibility. Laura Barnett (H206, ext. 3356) and Rick Merritt (H215, ext. 3691) serve as coordinators/faculty advisors.

Workshops and Seminars - Many departments at Northeast State offer a variety of workshops and seminars throughout each semester that students can attend at no cost. Topics typically include test taking and note-taking strategies, time and stress management, health and wellness, financial aid, scholarships, college transfer, career planning, and resume writing. Sponsoring offices, locations, dates, and times are posted for each workshop or seminar.