

Career Center

The Career Center provides career planning assistance for students and the community. The Career Center offers interest and skills assessments, career information, help with resume preparation and a variety of workshops. The program assists students with making an education and training choice that will enable them to enter or reenter the workforce with marketable skills.

A new partnership with CareerSource Okaloosa-Walton has enabled us to now have a CareerSource advisor available to meet with students and community members at the Niceville Campus Career Center. Services include: job seeker services, career counseling, employment search workshops, and labor market information. Prove-It! Skills testing is also available and offers over 1,200 validated assessments for a variety of employment sectors. Phone 850.729.4994 to set up an appointment. Walk-ins are always welcome.

Students who are undecided about their future career plans are encouraged to make an appointment with their Academic Advisor or to visit the Career Center located in the Activities Center, Building 410 on the Niceville Campus (Phone 850.729.5227) or Building 2 at the DeFuniak Springs Chautauqua Center (Phone 850.200.4113) to discuss career opportunities. Selected career-related services are also available at the Fort Walton Beach Campus and the Robert L. F. Sikes Education Center.

The Career Center offers numerous career assessment services, including:

- Career counseling
- Web-based career planning information
- College-wide career focus workshops
- Job fairs information
- Occupational information linked to NWF State College degree and certificate programs
- Computerized career exploration programs:
 - **My Career Shines** is a Career Planning tool hosted by the state of Florida and available on any computer. The NWF State College Career Center has computers available in their Career Counseling area for students to access this powerful program to set up an account and explore career, education and scholarship opportunities.
 - Strong II - The Strong Interest Inventory provides information on overall patterns of interests, preferences and personal styles that can be explored for the immediate and long-range educational and career planning.
 - Myers-Briggs Type Indicator - This is a personality instrument based on psychological types and temperaments. It provides information about your personality style and the way you interact with other people.

Disability Support Services

NWF State College is committed to the fulfillment of equal educational opportunities to all students. In compliance with the regulations of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, and the ADA Amendments Act of 2008, the office of Disability Support Services (DSS) exists to determine appropriate **accommodations** for qualified students with documented disabilities, to assist students in self-advocacy, and to educate the NWF State College community about disabilities.

Students in need of assistance are encouraged to register with DSS which is located in the Student Services Center on the Niceville campus. Appropriate documentation guidelines are located on the college website. All information is kept confidential. Students who register may be eligible for **accommodations** such as, but not limited to, note-taker, scribe, interpreter, extended time for testing, course substitution, use of an audio recording device and tests recorded on tape.

Telephone Device for the Deaf (TDD) numbers are available through the Florida Telecommunication Relay Service:

Voice: 711 or 1-800-955-8770

TDD: 711 or 1-800-955-8771

Students who feel that the College did not respond appropriately to their disability requirements are asked to show NWF State College the particulars of the complaint. Students should first discuss the problem with the Counselor of Students with Disabilities in an attempt to informally resolve the issue. If unable to resolve the issue informally, a student may file a formal student grievance through the office of Disability Support Services. It will be forwarded to the Dean of Students and follow the College's procedures for filing a grievance.

Learning Resources Center

During the Fall and Spring Terms, the library is open Monday through Thursday from 7:30 am to 9:00 pm, Fridays from 7:30 am to 5:00 pm, and Saturdays from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. Hours vary during the Summer Terms. Please visit the [LRC website](#) for hours and additional information or call (850) 729-5318.

Mary Lou O'Connor Child Development and Education Center

The College's Mary Lou O'Connor Child Development and Education Center provides comprehensive, quality care for children ages 2.5 to 5. The center is nationally accredited and is open to dependents of NWF State College students, staff, faculty and members of the community on a space available basis. The center is located in Building 530 on the Niceville Campus and is open Monday through Friday from 7:00 am to 5:30 pm. The college participates in the Florida Voluntary Pre-Kindergarten (VPK) program. For more information call (850) 729-5386.