

**Entrepreneurship Task Force
Action Plan**

Goal 1: Develop a plan to provide entrepreneur educational opportunities for target populations in Nebraska

Activity	Status	Comments:
a. Identify a priority list of populations that are in need of and desire entrepreneurship education/training.		Did not focus on a target group
b. Adopt the Life Long Learning Model as a guide.	Completed	
c. Utilize National Content Standards for E-Education as a framework.	Completed	
d. Research and identify scholarship and grant programs to enhance opportunities	Completed. See the following websites: www.nde.state.ne.us/entreped/enews.html http://www.futureforcenebraska.org http://www.cba.unl.edu/outreach/ent/eteam.aspx	Need to Effectively market available grants and scholarships to students.
e. Provide assistance and training for faculty to enhance E-Education	Minimal training provided	Area to be focused on.
f. Develop a dissemination vehicle (website, e-newsletter) to share best practices and educational opportunities	NDE Website, newsletter and listserv: www.nde.state.ne.us/entreped/enews.html	
g. Create an entrepreneurship clearinghouse center	Combined with E-Ship Centers and Resources on Websites	Develop an electronic template to submit the name of the contact person at each location on FutureForce Website.
h. Provide evening/weekend seminars on current topics	Continuing Education Activities	
i. Provide courses in accounting, law, etc.	Completed	
j. Create an Entrepreneurship Certificate	Continuing Education – Completed	

Goal 2: Develop a common resource center providing information and assistance for those interested in entrepreneurship

Activity	Status	Comments:
a. Create an inventory of entrepreneurship resources in Nebraska	Complete	
b. Identify/assess existing online entrepreneurship guides	Complete	
c. Develop an Entrepreneurship Resource Guide Website	ESI Website, Osborne Link	
d. Develop a listserv for entrepreneurship educators	Complete	

Goal 3: Create a K-Adult career pathway emphasis on entrepreneurship

Activity	Status	Comments:
a. Find a model developed by other states for K-Adult career pathway		K-Adult Career Connects will address these activities
b. Build a Nebraska Model		K-Adult Career Connects will address these activities
c. Incorporate Entrepreneurship into the Nebraska Career Pathway Model	Draft Completed (10-12-07)	Will be presented to NCE Staff at Team Retreat
d. Provide workshops for high school students interested in entrepreneurship	Ongoing	Some workshops have been provided
e. Host weekend or summer camps on creating/running a business.	Ongoing	ESI camps held in David City, Hartington and other sites in Summer, 2007

Goal 4: Coordinate educational activities with FutureForce Nebraska

Activity	Status	Comments:
a. Provide print or verbal reports to FutureForce meeting	Ongoing	Remember to submit information to Randy for FutureForce Website

Goal 5: Partner with higher education institutions on articulation

Activity	Status	Comments:
a. Determine the best method to engage 4-year colleges	In Progress	Visit with Korinne Tande, State College System and Linda Pratt, University System.
b. Meeting with key 4-year institution leaders on goals of NetForce	Ongoing	Some meetings have been held or participants involved
c. Determine connection points where secondary, 2 year and 4 year levels can best articulate	Ongoing	Some has been done

Goal 6: Infuse entrepreneurship education through all K-Adult career pathways

Activity	Status	Comments:
a. Develop a plan/model into the various career fields/pathways.	In Progress	Career Connections should address this activity.
b. Develop a crosswalk of National Standards	Completed	
c. Encourage Nebraska Community Colleges to join the National Consortium for Entrepreneurship Education	Ongoing	Attendees at National Forum, NAACE
d. Provide outreach assistance and training for faculty to enhance entrepreneurship education	Ongoing	Nebraska Career Education Conference – June 4-5, 2007 (Entrepreneurship Focus Program and ESI curriculum)
e. Create an ongoing dialogue with guidance counselors to establish value of entrepreneurship education as a viable career option	Ongoing	Career Connections should address this activity.
f. Develop model Personal Learning Plan (PLP) focusing on entrepreneurship as a career pathway		Career Connections should address this activity.
g. Identify and seek partnerships with other educational agencies or groups to leverage resources to enhance entrepreneurship education	In Progress	Outreach to Nebraska Career Connections; Nebraska 4-H; hometown Competitiveness Initiative; Nebraska Economic Developers Association; FutureForce, REAP
h. Partner with and enhance relationship with Nebraska Career Student Organizations such as DECA, FBLA, HOSA, FFA, SKILLS USA	Ongoing work by NDE	Communication with State advisors of each organization, identification of all entrepreneurship competitive events offered by each organization; assistance with entrepreneurship events at state conference.
i. Create a process for high school teachers and college instructors to work together to create curriculum and projects to teach entrepreneurship	Ongoing	Identify grants to help fund this activity.

Goal 7: Coordinate Entrepreneurship Week (February 23-March 1, 2008)

Activity	Status	Comments:
a. Coordinate activities across the state communicating with NDE and FutureForce	Ongoing	