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Student Philosophy Statement
(Approved by Curriculum and Learning Council July 2010)

Eastern Wyoming College is committed to providing a student experience that promotes academic success in a challenging and supportive environment, facilitates the transition to college for first time students, and helps all students identify and achieve their individual goals. EWC's student experience is designed to foster personal growth by increasing independence, promoting ethical behaviors and personal responsibility for learning, and affording opportunities for student involvement in campus activities to enhance social development.



Welcome,

Eastern Wyoming College . . . “The Next Big Thing.”

Yes, it’s all about who you are AND who we are.

Yes, we’re a very small college. Yes, we are in a rural area.

Yes, we provide quality instruction and top-of-the-line student support services.

What is it you want to do? How do you make that happen? Who can help?

These aren’t difficult questions, but it sure makes a difference when someone cares.

Eastern has over a dozen faculty and staff members with earned doctorates, covering a wide range of interests. That in itself is no guarantee of a quality education. But when you couple that with real people who care and connect—you have all the makings of a winning team.

An award winning author who has published numerous articles and books. A collegiate debate champion. Four experienced veterinarians. Former college athletes and CNFR competitors. Many folks with more than thirty years of experience; many young professionals with new energy and know how. An informational technologist who worked in Washington D.C. for CNN. Former K-12 teachers, principals, and a superintendent on staff. A music director accomplished on 20 instruments, artists, and actors. A food service staff that provides tasty home-cooked meals and friendly support. Coaches with regional titles. Top industry certified welding and joining faculty. An M.D. and professional counselors. A uniformed resource officer, an electrician, several volunteer firefighters. A mayor, former city councilmen, and a former lawyer. Our family consists of members who have been involved with education all their lives and those who bring outside experiences to the college environment. A former foundation director for two famous art museums. Military veterans, ranchers, farmers. All, talented, community-minded individuals who get involved.

Every year students come to EWC to join a nationally competitive rodeo team. They help host the top rodeo in the region. Many come from Wyoming and neighboring states, but others have come from halfway around the world. Similarly, the Veterinary Technology program enrolls students from the region and across the United States. Vet Tech has also enrolled students from overseas. Our unique cosmetology program makes us look good. Great programs; great place to get started.

Our transfer programs continue to provide a solid two years for those moving on to a four year school. In fact, over two thirds of students at Eastern Wyoming College plan to do just that—in education and business, psychology and criminal justice, agriculture and fine arts. It may be pre-med or engineering that gets you going. Math, English, history, nursing, science. We can get you what you need.

Big enough to do it all—small enough to care. And, yes, it’s really all about what we can do together.

Sincerely,

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