## Welcome to NDE!

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NDE – Employee Enrichment Training

The Nebraska Department of Education has teamed up with Deer Oaks EAP, Health Fitness, and the Nebraska Department of Insurance to offer employee enrichment events and training sessions throughout the remainder of the year. These NDE enrichment events and training sessions will be held in the State Board room and will be broadcast via Adobe Connect so that employees in satellite offices may participate. We are offering a wide variety of sessions to choose from. Employees must register in the Employee Development Center to attend.

Our next sessions are as follows:

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<td>Financial Retirement: It’s Not Just About the $</td>
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<td>Delicious Vegetables</td>
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Detailed event flyers and registration instructions can be found on our new NDE – Employee Enrichment Training Events webpage.

We hope to see you at one of the classes!

NDE Wellness Champions Team

We would like to remind folks of some up and coming challenges.

- August 1st begins our Rethink Your Drink Challenge
- August 5th is our first ever Agency Wide Healthy Pot Luck Recipe Exchange Event
- And lastly, we are continuing our Walk and Talk Tuesday Activity!

Visit our new NDE Wellness & Champions website for activities and information regarding special events, news, and photos!
State of Nebraska - Charitable Giving Campaign
The Nebraska Charitable Giving Campaign Challenge – Cycle of Giving runs from August 3 through August 28, 2015. Some key dates and information are listed below.

This year we are excited to provide employees with a new way of contributing to the campaign through e-pledge. The e-pledge (electronic pledge card) process is a quick and efficient way for employees to complete their donations. We are part of a new pilot project, so we hope to have great success!

We also have our kick off meeting and some fun activities to participate in. Please see emails that are being distributed to all staff for additional information.

Key Dates to Remember:
- Campaign runs August 3rd – August 28th
- Online electronic pledge card details and hardcopy pledge forms are being distributed during the week of August 3rd
- NDE Commissioner Kick Off Presentation August 13th @ 3pm
- NDE Agency Challenge – Week of August 17th
- Team 4 – Tour De Four Activities
  - Sign up to Volunteer By August 6th (Staff Located in NSOB)
  - SaltDog tickets sales (Details Coming)
  - August 11th - Ice Cream Social
  - August 17th - Walking Taco Bar
  - August 24th - Brownie Sundae Social
- Online electronic pledge cards are due ON/BEFORE August 28th
- Hardcopy pledge forms are due to NDE - HR ON/BEFORE August 28th

Interesting Articles
Here are some interesting links, information, and/or activities.

- Wired.com
  - The Key To Digital Learning? Bring it into the Real World.
- Forbes.com
  - 100 Best Quotes on Leadership
  - Windows 10 vs. Windows 8 vs Windows 7: What's The Difference?
  - The New IQ: Integrative Intelligence
- Steve Rizzo, Embrace Change/The Biggest Inspiration of my Life.