

Nominations are Open for 2017 Distinguished Achievement Awards

The Distinguished Achievement Awards are selected annually by the M State President's Cabinet. You are encouraged to nominate an M State employee and/or team who, in calendar 2017, met at least one of the following criteria.



Dacia Johnson
Chief Human Resources Officer

- Exceptional service to students, faculty, staff or external constituents
- Continually going "above and beyond the call of duty"
- Exceptional performance on a special project or assignment
- Contributing to the improved morale and/or work environment of the division and/or college
- Significant contributions to the college community
- Actions that distinguish the employee outside their professional realm
- Contributions in leadership in external community matters or in the employee's field
- Innovation

Nominations are due to Dacia Johnson, CHRO, on or before Friday, March 2. The nomination form can be found on in the Human Resources section of the [employee portal](#).

Awards will be presented at the annual Employee Recognition Celebration on May 8.

M State Presidential Search Update

The campus visits for presidential finalists are scheduled for Tuesday through Thursday, March 27-29. Additional details will be coming approximately mid-March.

Join Worksite Wellness for the **First Annual Walk the Walk** challenge

March 19 to April 22

Walk 204 miles (the distance between the four M State campuses) during the five weeks between March 19 and April 22.

Watch for additional details.

WORKSITEWELLNESS
Minnesota State Community and Technical College

STAFF CHANGES	
NEW HIRES	Fergus Falls <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paula Pederson, Director of Safety and Emergency Preparedness Moorhead <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jennifer Aranda, Online Writing Tutor (temporary) Deana Kleindl, Dental Assistant (intermittent)
PERSONNEL CHANGES	Detroit Lakes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sunny Kamath, Interim Computer Help Center Director Lisa Ziegler, Operational Services Technology Director Moorhead <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Erica Berg, Associate Director of Nursing
NO LONGER AT M STATE	Moorhead <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bonnie Baumgardner, Campus Resource Specialist, Transfer to MSUM Paul Beah, Custodian

SAVE The DATE: AFSCME/MAPE Frontline Conference

The Frontline Conference is **YOUR** staff development conference, with sessions, speakers and topics focused on increasing your professional development and skills.

Wednesday, May 23 – Thursday, May 24, 2018
Normandale Community College

NEW for 2018:
A new schedule, with an additional breakout session time on Thursday!
30+ breakout session topics
A Health Fair, located in the vendor area
Professional headshots will also be back by popular demand!

Registration opens April 1, 2018
Limited to 300 people!

Many breakouts are taught by systemwide faculty and staff

Meet and network with your peers from other campuses in the system

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