

BLOG

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NWACC Awarded Grant to Grow LIFE Program & Hispanic Enrollment



NorthWest Arkansas Community College (NWACC) recently received a \$432,883 grant from the Walton Family Foundation to grow its [LIFE program](#), a near-peer mentorship program that increases Hispanic enrollment by empowering Latino youth to dream big, pursue a higher education and become leaders on the college campus and in the community.

NWACC plans to use grant funds to increase Hispanic student enrollment to become a Hispanic Serving Institution (HSI), hire a new LIFE staff member and increase professional development opportunities, and expand current LIFE program offerings.

What's New

NURSING



NWACC and Washington Regional Medical System (WRMS) recently signed an agreement to offer a new nursing program option that allows nursing students at NWACC's Washington County location to obtain exclusive clinical training by WRMS clinical instructors in WRMS facilities on nights and weekends. The new program is called [Track I - Washington County](#) and began in August 2022.

"NWACC and Washington Regional have enjoyed a strong relationship for many years and this new nursing track option will help increase the demand for nurses in our region," said NWACC Vice President of Career and Workforce Education Tim Cornelius.

"Washington Regional is thrilled to further our partnership with NWACC and help



NWACC student Bradi in Italy.

Gabrielle enrolled in a [world civilization](#) course with NWACC Professor Sevin Gallo, and learned of ancient Greece, its politics and economics, and its impact on the modern Mediterranean world, while also enjoying 14 days of planned excursions around Athens and the Greek islands.

"We spent a lot of time visiting archaeological sites and museums. One thing that is super important when understanding another culture is learning about the history that shaped it into what it is today," Gabrielle said. "Another aspect of culture we focused on was the food. Sevin made sure that each of her students was able to experience Mediterranean cuisine in its entirety. Along with visits to historical sites, we took day trips to little mountain towns, beaches and islands. It was an educational trip, but every day was full of fun things to do."

Examples from working at J.B. Hunt Transport:

- [7 Reasons to Drive for J.B. Hunt](#)
- [Final Mile Services with Delivery Installation Specialist](#)
- [Driver Perseveres in Trucking, Providing for Her Family](#)

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Looking for a change in your CDL job? Whether this means consistent freight, more home time or recognition for your safe driving, you'll find it as a J.B. Hunt employee driver. Read further to learn why thousands of drivers choose to be on the road with a carrier that has over 50 years of experience in transportation logistics.

1) Stability

As a Fortune 500 trucking company, J.B. Hunt has had a strong national presence in the industry for over a half a century. With hundreds of J.B. Hunt operated facilities all over the nation and easy access to quality maintenance and service centers, drivers won't feel alone on the road.

As one of the largest dedicated contract carriers, J.B. Hunt also offers plenty of freight and a variety of non-CDL and CDL-A driving jobs with duties from delivery to installation, as well as operating a range of equipment. And with more than 90,000 rail containers and 78,000 chassis, and access to private express gates, J.B. Hunt intermodal truck drivers experience less wait, stronger freight and more miles.

J.B. Hunt's continued growth and increase in freight allows us to offer drivers a reliable weekly paycheck and plenty of work. And with plans for more growth on the horizon, we are confident that we'll be here for another



"The thing I like most about this job is every day is different," Final Mile Service (FMS) driver Darren said. As a [straight truck driver](#), Darren's local truck driving job isn't a traditional trucking job – it doesn't require a CDL or experience. J.B. Hunt offers on-the-job training for new delivery installation specialists.

On a typical work day, Darren arrives bright and early at his local distribution center, loads up his straight truck and heads out on the road. When Darren reaches his customer's location and unloads, his job is only halfway done. As a DIS, Darren has been trained to not only deliver to his customers, but go the last mile and install their appliances.

"It's nice that you're your own boss when you are out there on the road," Darren says of being an FMS driver. "It's just you, the road and the customer." Darren has been a DIS on his account for 19 years – the past seven under the employment of J.B. Hunt. Delivering around the Lake Michigan area, Darren is entrusted with Executive Deliveries, which entails delivering and installing appliances in the houses of account executives.

Darren says being a DIS keeps him active and fit and approximates he has installed around 10,000 refrigerators and 15,000 laundry sets during his 19-year career. "I've learned a lot of good skills on this job," Darren says. Skills many people do not possess but are customary for DIS drivers to acquire in proficiency. "If you ever had to move somewhere else, these skills would go with you."

Being home daily is another reason Darren enjoys being an FMS driver. In addition to spending time with his wife and children, Darren is a musician. He practices and performs in his church's worship band at least once a week, and is also in a band called Exit 41. A reference to his hometown, Darren describes Exit 41 as a 'two-man acoustic duo' he started with a longtime friend five years ago. During the summer months, Darren says they perform in places like restaurants and wineries several times a weekend, which is something he would be unable to do without his daily home time. "It's something I've always been passionate about and it will always be



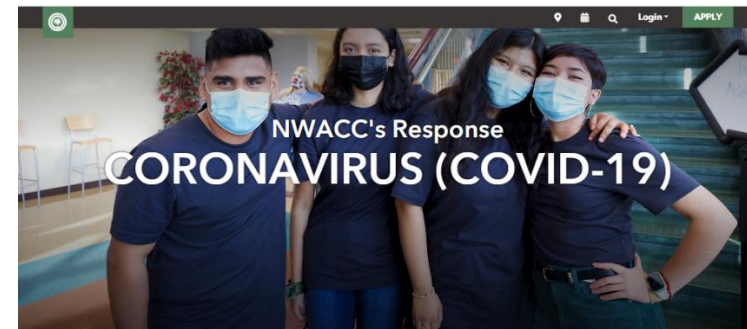
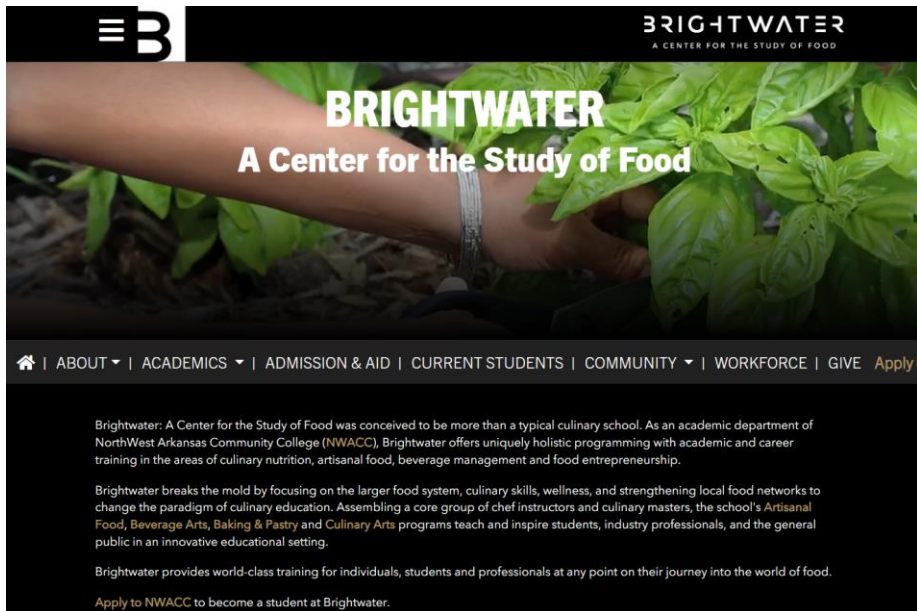
When truck driver Andrea started her regional driving job with J.B. Hunt, she wanted a better life for herself, but now her driving job has even greater importance, to provide for her family.

In her 11 years with J.B. Hunt, she has earned the Driver of the Month award, one million safe miles and participated in the prestigious Arkansas Truck Driving Championship. She has proven herself as a safe and valuable member of the J.B. Hunt family, but most importantly, Andrea is able to provide for her nieces and nephew, who she took custody of when her sister passed away.



WEBSITES:

- **Brightwater: A Center for the Study of Food** (<https://brightwater.org/>)
 - **What I did:** Created a site map of the new website, edited original web copy and wrote all additional web copy, and built out web pages with a content management system.
- **NWACC COVID-19 Response** (www.nwacc.edu/coronavirus)
 - **What I did:** Mapped out new pages, wrote all web copy, and built out pages with a content management system.



CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)

View the following COVID-19 information to learn about NWACC's response and how to do your part to keep us #NWACCStrong.

NOTE: Be sure to also monitor your NWACC email to stay updated on NWACC's response to the COVID-19 (coronavirus).

COVID-19 INFORMATION

- **Safety Guidelines** - Students, employees and visitors are encouraged to do their part to protect each other and keep us #NWACCStrong by getting vaccinated, wearing a face covering, washing hands and social distancing.
 - **COVID-19 Vaccines** - View a listing of vaccine locations on the [Arkansas Dept. of Health website](#). NOTE: Vaccinations are not required but encouraged.
- **Face Coverings** - NWACC employees, students and visitors are not required to wear a face covering indoors in NWACC locations but are highly encouraged to wear them. [Learn more about face coverings.](#)
- **Daily Checklist** - Before coming to campus, be sure to review the [daily COVID-19 symptom checklist](#).
 - **PPE for Departments** - If you are an employee in need of PPE, contact Shipping and Receiving at #4219 or email manderson28@nwacc.edu.