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### **Student utility linemen to test their skills in competition**

OMAHA, Neb. — Metropolitan Community College will host the College Utility Linemen Rodeo on Saturday, May 17, 9 a.m.—1 p.m. at MCC's Applied Technology Center, 10407 State St.

The 12<sup>th</sup> annual competition will see 40 MCC students compete in six events that include various work procedures required for their trade. The competition gives students the opportunity to use skills they have learned in preparation for their careers in the electrical industry. Contests will have students work in teams and compete as individuals.

"All of the competitions are scenarios students will see once they get out into their careers," said Rich Newcomer, utility line technician instructor at MCC. "Saturday's competition gives them a chance to showcase their skills in a pressure-packed situation."

The MCC-sponsored competition is free and open to the public. Award ceremonies will immediately follow the competition. For more information, contact the Applied Technology Center at 402-763-5800.

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Metropolitan Community College, accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association, is a comprehensive, public community college that offers affordable and quality education to all residents of Dodge, Douglas, Sarpy and Washington counties. Founded in 1974, MCC has the largest enrollment out of six community colleges in Nebraska and is the second largest postsecondary institution in the state. MCC serves more than 40,000 students annually.