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<u>Teachers of Promise Pathway (TOPP) Grant</u> - MSU Northern received one of the Grow Your Own Educator grants to support MSU-Northern's Educator Preparation Program (EPP) and establish a pathway for juniors and seniors in high schools to become teachers for Montana's schools.

<u>Enrollment Numbers</u> – MSU-Northern is up in student headcount from last year with 1,050 students. Our new to campus students increased by 53 along with an increase in first-time full-time freshman of 15 students. We are also up in Montana students, from 889 to 919, showing that we are responding to the educational needs of our state. Our overall percentage of in-state student population increased from 86% to 88%. MSU-Northern's numbers are showing strong growth in the programs that help fuel Montana's economy.

<u>Suicide Awareness Walk</u> - MSU-Northern hosted the seventh annual Hill County Suicide Awareness Walk on Sept 9. This event raises the awareness of suicide and decreases the stigma in the community. Participants made the walk with an umbrella to help illustrate the theme, "Be someone's umbrella."

Rodeo Team - Our women's rodeo team took first and third in their first two rodeos of the season at Northwest Community College in Cody, Wyoming. Northern hosted our annual fall rodeo on September. 24-25.

<u>Five-Week Experience</u> – This year's student orientation was expanded into a five-week initiative designed to help engage our students so they can build meaningful relationships and touchpoints with people on and off campus. It included four days of orientation and a number of fun activities that concluded with the homecoming football game

<u>MPSEOC Tour</u> - MSU-Northern hosted the first college fair of the Montana Post-Secondary Educational Opportunities Council's (MPSEOC) three-week tour (September 19 – October1).

<u>American Indian Heritage Week</u> - MSU-Northern's Sweetgrass Society and Littler River Institute raised two tipis to honor the American Indian Nations and their cultures and demonstrated indigenous beadwork. The evening of Friday, September 24th students demonstrated some native dances at the Counting Coup concert.

KNMC 20-Year Celebration – The MSU-Northern college radio station celebrated 20 years of being back on the air with a Rock Lotto. KNMC Rock Lotto is an event in which local musicians put their name in a hat and are randomly placed into bands for a one-time performance.

<u>Homecoming Week</u> – MSU-Northern hosted a series of fun activities to celebrate homecoming (Sept 20-25). The events included window painting, glow walk, bubble soccer, movie night, a Counting Coup concert, and the crowning of the homecoming court. The campus also honored our Golden Grads (50+) and held a special reunion for all former baseball players.

Students Help with Flu Clinic - Several of MSU-Northern's nursing students helped give flu shots at the Northern Montana Hospital's drive-through flu clinic.