



# News Release

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## **NMCC to waive application or registration fee for individuals who attend Valley College Info Night in Madawaska August 15**

**Aroostook County** - Area residents who attend the Northern Maine Community College Info Night at Madawaska's Café de la Place on Wednesday, August 15, between 5:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. will have the standard College application for admission fee of \$20 for the 2007-2008 academic year waived if they are enrolling in an academic program. Attendees who enroll part-time by signing up for a class or two will see their course registration fee waived.

NMCC officials are extending the fee waiver option to individuals who attend the first-of-its-kind evening offered in the St. John Valley by the County's community college. The event is being held in response to the recently announced layoffs at the Fraser Paper mill in Madawaska, and as part of a greater initiative to increase offerings and service to the St. John Valley by NMCC.

The Northern Maine Community College off-campus center is operated in the Valley in partnership with the St. John Valley Adult and Community Education Collaborative (MSAD#27, MSAD #33, and the Madawaska School Department). Most courses and programs are offered centrally, at the St. John Valley Technology Center located in Frenchville.

Representatives from the collaborative will join College employees at the NMCC Info Night to discuss a free college transition program they offer at their sites in the Valley.

NMCC staff will be on hand to meet individually with community members attending Info night to discuss college programs and courses. Attendees will also have the opportunity to discuss financial aid opportunities and non-credit options offered through the college's continuing education division, including the commercial truck driving academy. Representatives from all three areas will be in Madawaska.

“Our Info Night is designed specifically to meet an individual’s needs,” said Jason Parent, NMCC director of development and college relations. “People can walk in anytime between 5:00 and 7:30 p.m. and have the opportunity to meet one-on-one with a College representative to discuss their own needs where higher education and training are concerned.”

NMCC offers the lowest tuition rates in Maine and awards financial aid to 79 percent of its students.

Interested individuals are encouraged to attend the information night by simply showing up at Madawaska’s Café de la Place between 5:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. on August 15. For more information, contact the NMCC Student Services Office at (207) 768-2787.

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