

Highland Western Center Graduates Eight

(MSC News)--In its second year of operation, the Highland Community College Western Center had eight graduates representing two technical programs participate in the Technical Center Commencement Exercises held in Atchison on May 12.

The students were joined by Western Center Director Cara Baker, Student Services Representative Jolie McDaniel, and welding technology instructor David Schwarz. The eight students included Industrial Welding graduates Chevy Imel (Frankfort) who actually completed his coursework in December, Chase Mayfield (Marysville), Damien McLeod (Marysville), Kyle Morrison (Centralia), and Spencer Stephens (Pawnee, NE). Medical Office Assistant graduates were Stephanie Blumer (Marysville), Cathy Kroeger (Centralia), and Sydney Schell (Summerfield).

Bloomer, Mayfield, and Morrison all utilized Kansas Senate Bill 155, which provides assistance for high school juniors and seniors to complete technical certificates and degrees, and are graduating from their high schools and HCC this spring.

Baker and her staff are preparing for growing numbers of students in the fall at their still new facility in Baileyville.

Technical programs available for the fall are Building Trades, Diesel Technology, Engineering Graphics & Technologies, Industrial Welding, Medical Office Assistant, and Precision Agriculture, which will be making its debut for the College. The College says its excited to get this new program started as it's receiving strong reception by area businesses and individuals connected to agriculture

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