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Welcome to Campus Connect

Welcome to Campus Connect! We're excited to keep you informed about all the latest campus events, news, and community stories you might not have heard yet. We hope you enjoy exploring this edition of Campus Connect.

Upcoming Events:

Haunted Happenings
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A LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

DR. SHAWN POWELL

Welcome to the third issue of Eastern New Mexico University-Roswell's Campus Connect!

This issue highlights the Haunted Happenings planned for October and the fall semester. This is a wonderful time to look ahead and take advantage of the many opportunities to connect with our campus community. I encourage you to participate in these activities and make the most of your time at ENMU-Roswell.



For students planning to graduate in December, please remember to file your application for graduation by October 14. Looking ahead to November, we will host our annual 5K Turkey Trot on November 21. This fun run/walk is a fundraiser benefiting our campus food pantry and the Roswell Humane Society. Entry fees include non-perishable food items or dog and cat food. I hope you will join us for this fun event and help support these important community organizations.

Thank you for being an important part of our ENMU-Roswell campus community. I look forward to seeing you at these upcoming events!



MEET THE FACULTY

Meet Stephen Muhr, MSM PAC

What university or universities did you attend, and what degrees did you obtain?

I attended Labette Community College before graduating high school. After graduating I attended Bethany College in Lindsborg, Kansas (I wanted to play football). When I decided to apply to PA school, I took science classes here at ENMU-R and some chemistry at New Mexico State. Finally, I attended Trevecca Nazarene University in Nashville, TN, for physician assistant studies.

What do you teach at ENMU-Roswell, and how long have you been teaching here?

This is my 5th year teaching anatomy and physiology. I was an adjunct before I went to PA school in 2007.

What inspired you to pursue a career in your field?

I like people and problem-solving. I can do both in the classroom and the clinic.

What is one thing you hope every student takes away from your class?

I hope students taking my class remember there is always more to learn.

What advice would you give to students who are just starting their college journey?

Students starting their college journey should be stubborn and tenacious. Don't give up.

If you could travel anywhere in the world, where would you go?

I have been a few places I might enjoy South America like driving to Cape Horn or Tierra Del Fuego.

What is your favorite hobby outside of work?

I like to follow College Football and go to local games.

What three things would you bring to a deserted island?

I have been on a deserted Island, if I went again I would take my wife Laura, she loves the beach, I would take a way to get fresh water (I was so thirsty last time) and make sure Door Dash can get there.



MEET THE FACULTY

Dara Turner

What university or universities did you attend, and what degrees did you obtain?

I graduated with my ADN from ENMU-Roswell in May of 2020 and received my BSN from Grand Canyon University in 2022. I am currently enrolled at Grand Canyon University working on my Master's degree in Family Nurse Practitioner.



What do you teach at ENMU-Roswell, and how long have you been teaching here?

I started at ENMU-Roswell in September 2024 and have taught several classes for the nursing program. This semester I am teaching Maternal Newborn nursing for the Roswell and Ruidoso campus.

What inspired you to pursue a career in your field?

Eleven years ago, I was in the hospital after delivering my son and my postpartum nurse was so kind to me and inspired me to go into nursing. I wanted to take care of other people like she took care of me. I worked in labor and delivery for five years, and loved being able to support women and families in my role.

What is one thing you hope every student takes away from your class?

I hope that every student that leaves my class knows that I believe in them, and feels more confident in their ability to care for people as a future nurse.

What advice would you give to students who are just starting their college journey?

Be proud of yourself because it takes courage to even start this journey. And if you are struggling, reach out for help. This road can be challenging, but it is so worth it in the end!

If you could travel anywhere in the world, where would you go?

That's a hard question because there are many places I want to go, but probably Scotland.

What is your favorite hobby outside of work?

Traveling, listening to a great audiobook, and building Lego sets.

What three things would you bring to a deserted island?

Lighter, knife, and a huge jar of peanut butter.



MEET THE FACULTY

Regan Morlan

What university or universities did you attend, and what degrees did you obtain?

I attended Otero College in Colorado where I obtained my Associates of Science in Animal Science. I then transferred to continue my education at Oklahoma Panhandle State University where I obtained my Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Education. I am currently pursuing my Master of Education in STEM Education with the American College of Education

What do you teach at ENMU-Roswell, and how long have you been teaching here?

I teach in the agriculture program here at ENMU-Roswell. I teach Animal Nutrition, Livestock Production, and Ag Economics and Marketing. I am also the Livestock Judging Coach for our collegiate Livestock Judging team. So, if I am not in class, you will find me traveling all around the country with our team to livestock contests. I have been teaching and coaching here at ENMU-R for one year now- since Fall of 2025!



What inspired you to pursue a career in your field?

I was inspired to pursue a career in both agriculture and education because of the many people who have invested in me growing up and the impact they had on my life. Growing up on a farm/ranch and being involved in everyday production agriculture, I learned early on that agriculture is about so much more than just animals and crops – it's about people, responsibility, hard work, and community. My experiences as a student and livestock competitor gave me opportunities to learn from incredible teachers and coaches who challenged me to become a better leader. Eventually, while in college, all thanks to the incredible instructors I had, I realized I wanted to provide those same opportunities for the next generation. Teaching and coaching allow me to combine my passion for agriculture with my passion for helping students discover what they are capable of.

What is one thing you hope every student takes away from your class?

If there is one thing I hope every student takes away from my class, it is confidence in themselves and the understanding that they are capable of more than they think. I know firsthand how much a teacher, coach, or mentor can impact a student's confidence and direction. Whether a student goes on to pursue a career in agriculture or takes a completely different path, I want students to leave my classroom with more than knowledge about agriculture. I hope they have learned how to think critically, communicate effectively, work hard, and believe in themselves. If a student leaves my class a little more confident in who they are and what they are capable of, then I feel like I have made a difference.

What advice would you give to students who are just starting their college journey?

My biggest piece of advice is to give yourself permission and grace to figure things out along the way. You don't have to have your entire life mapped out when you walk onto campus. I certainly didn't and some of the most important opportunities in my life came from being willing to try something new, take a chance, or change direction. Most importantly, don't compare your college journey to anyone else's. College isn't a race, and success doesn't look the same for everyone. I believe it is extremely important to get involved, ask questions, and build relationships with your professors and classmates. Don't be afraid to put yourself outside of your comfort zone, that's how change occurs. You're allowed to grow, change, and become a different version of yourself along the way.

If you could travel anywhere in the world, where would you go?

Iceland! I have always wanted to go to Iceland and visit the mix of volcanoes, glaciers, and ice caves and see the northern lights!

What is your favorite hobby outside of work?

My absolute favorite hobby outside of work is getting to travel back home to Colorado and spoil my 2-year-old niece. Besides always trying to be "auntie of the year," I enjoy anything outdoors- hiking, paddleboarding, and just exploring all of the beautiful scenery nature has to offer us.

What three things would you bring to a deserted island?

If I have my Kindle (with unlimited battery and books, of course) this would sound more like a vacation to me, rather than a survival test. That would have to be my #1 item to bring. Next, it would have to be a really good fixed-blade knife and a fire starter of some sort. At least with those two options I can pretend to know what I'm doing.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Haunted Happenings

HAUNTED HAPPENINGS 2026 IS COMING TO ENMU-ROSWELL!

Get ready for a full 2 weeks of Halloween-themed fun, creativity, costumes, and campus activities! From dressing up and showing off your style to pumpkin carving, superhero selfies, and a costume contest, there's something spooky happening every day.

Monday, Oct. 19: Witches & Wizards

Tuesday, Oct. 20: T-Shirt Day

Wednesday, Oct. 21: On Wednesday(s), We Wear Pink

Thursday, Oct. 22: Thriller Day & Pumpkin Carving

Friday, Oct. 23: Anything But a Cup

Monday, Oct. 26: Marvel Day & Selfie Booth

Tuesday, Oct. 27: Pumpkin Hunt

Wednesday, Oct. 28: Wednesday Day

Thursday, Oct. 29: Costume Contest & Door Decorating Contest Winner Reveal

Friday, Oct. 30: Freaky Friday

Bring your Halloween spirit, get creative, and join us for Haunted Happenings 2026!

Pumpkin Decorating Contest



Get ready to carve up some Halloween fun!

Join ENMU-Roswell Student Engagement for our Pumpkin Decorating Contest on October 22 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the LRC Student Lounge!

Bring your creativity and your best pumpkin design for a chance to win the Overall Best Pumpkin prize!

October 22
11 a.m.–2 p.m.
LRC Student Lounge

Questions? Contact Veronica Munoz at veronica.munoz@enmu.edu.



UPCOMING EVENTS

2026 Turkey Trot

Get ready to Trot for a good cause!

Join us for the 2026 Turkey Trot 5K Fun Run/Walk at ENMU-Roswell! Whether you run, walk, or trot your way to the finish line, come out for a fun morning while supporting our community.

November 21, 2026

Registration: 8 a.m. | Race starts: 9 a.m.

ENMU- Roswell Instructional Technology Center, 23 W. Mathis

Entry Fee: Bring non-perishable food such as canned fruits, canned vegetables, soup, and/or canned or bagged dog or cat food.

Donations will benefit the ENMU-Roswell Campus Food Pantry and the Roswell Humane Society

Lace up those sneakers, bring a donation, and come trot with us!



MORE EVENTS COMING SOON!



THE WRAP-UP



If there's a story you think we missed or a topic you'd love to see featured, we want to hear from you. Drop us a line at martha.staab@enmu.edu. Stay tuned for more exciting updates in our next issue—see you then!

