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Northwest Iowa Community College to Announce Mascot at Public Coffee

After forty-four years in existence, a year of suggestions, and a three week voting campaign by Northwest Iowa Community College students, staff, faculty, alumni and the public, NCC is proud to announce the unveiling of NCC's mascot! Please join the NCC family Monday, September 20, at 9 a.m. for a public unveiling/coffee. The event will be held in the Cafeteria of Building A.

In the fall of 2008 NCC started taking mascot suggestions from students, faculty, staff, alumni, and the public. Ballot boxes were set up on campus, at community home shows, and alumni were asked to submit suggestions through the College's student newspaper, *The Collegian*. In May of 2009 NCC announced a three week voting campaign to take place on its website for the top three suggestions. They were:

1. The Thunder
2. The Mountain Lions
3. The 66ers

Dr. Bill Giddings, NCC President, said, "As NCC continues to add more student activities to our increasing student enrollments, and with the additions of two new residence halls and the opening of the new Lifelong Learning and Recreation Center, we continue to promote a collegiate atmosphere on campus. This is a big step in developing our identity. We look forward to seeing the results of the community vote and believe that student and community reaction will be positive. We listened to the voices in our hallways and the voices from our communities and look forward to this new chapter in NCC's history."