Established in 1973 by the State Legislature, Northeast Community College is a comprehensive two-year college located on the northeast edge of Norfolk, Nebraska. It uniquely offers a broad spectrum of educational opportunities on one main campus, including vocational/technical programs, liberal arts, college transfer courses, and continuing education. As the sole community college in Nebraska that combines one- and two-year vocational, liberal arts, and adult education programs in a single location, Northeast serves a vital role in the educational landscape of the state.

The college caters to residents across a 20-county service area, where, according to 2010 census data, about 160,000 people reside in small towns, villages, and rural settings. This region is predominantly supported by agriculture and agribusiness. To accommodate students outside its main campus, Northeast has expanded its reach through three extended campuses and two regional offices, ensuring that the educational needs of individuals in its extensive service area are met.

In response to the diverse career opportunities within the information technology field, Northeast Community College's information technology department offers several Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree concentrations. These concentrations are designed to cover a wide range of topics, allowing students to tailor their education to their specific career interests.

Available concentration options include the Cisco Networking Academy, Information Security, Systems Administration, Web and Visual Application Development, and Technical Services Support. Notably, students who opt for Information Security as one of their two concentrations will complete the requisite Knowledge Units necessary for CAE-CD designation, further enhancing their qualifications in the rapidly evolving field of information technology.

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