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Nebraska among first states to offer electronic transcripts

Technology is finally catching up with the college application process. Nebraska is now the first state in the nation to allow students to send their school transcripts to high schools, colleges and universities electronically.

Gov. Dave Heineman joined other education leaders in launching Nebraska's e-Transcript Initiative during a demonstration held Monday morning at Lincoln Southeast High School. The demonstration included the sending of a Southeast student's high school transcript to several Nebraska colleges to illustrate the speed and convenience of the new electronic transfer process.

Electronic transcripts will simplify the college application process and can provide greater access for low-income students.

Gov. Heineman said, "I'm pleased to see that Nebraska schools are providing the resources students and families need to make the college application process more accessible. This is a great example of how technology can help modernize and simplify a key step in the college application process. This helps move Nebraska forward and I'm sure will be a welcome addition to many students, counselors and college admissions offices."

Through a contract awarded by the Midwestern Higher Education Compact, Nebraska is the second state to implement electronic transcripts statewide. Indiana initiated

the first successful statewide launch in 2005. Nebraska has gone a step further to allow not only high school to college transfers, but also college to college transfers.

The electronic transfer service, provided by Docufide, Inc., allows students to send transcripts and other supporting documents from their high schools or colleges to any participating institution in the country. Nebraska's e-Transcript Initiative has been funded for three years by a grant from the U.S. Department of Education.

Colleges participating in the demonstration Monday included Bellevue University, Central Community College's Grand Island Campus, Wayne State College, BryanLGH College of Health Sciences, and the University of Nebraska at Omaha.

Though participation by Nebraska high schools and colleges is voluntary, electronic transcripts are expected to spread rapidly statewide.

The Nebraska e-Transcript Initiative is a collaborative effort of the Nebraska Department of Education, the Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education, and Nebraska's schools, colleges and universities.

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