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**NORTHWEST STATE TO HOST GAME CON,**

**A GAMING AND POP CULTURE CONVENTION**

*ARCHBOLD, OHIO* – Northwest State Community College will be hosting Game Con, “the premier pop culture convention held by NSCC Thunder (the College’s official Esports team) and Northwest State Community College,” on Saturday, June 22nd from 11:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. The event is free to attend, and all ages are welcome.

Game Con will host a multitude of events and competitions. They include a 64-player *Super Smash Bros. Ultimate* Tournament with a $600 prize pool, a Pokémon Card Game Tournament with a $200 prize pool, a Cosplay Contest with a $400 prize pool, and a *Beyblade Burst* tournament and a *LEGO* Build Competition with various item prizes.

**PLENTY OF ACTIVITIES AVAILABLE…**

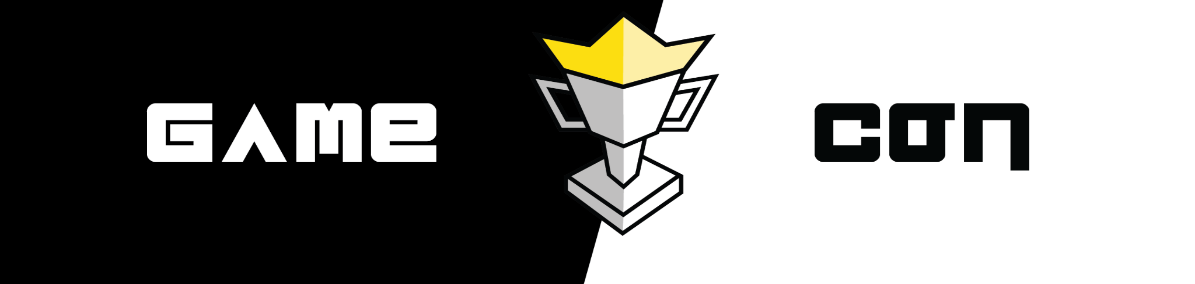
Some of the non-tournament activities that day are scheduled to include:

* Artist Alley, Vendors, and Authors
* Cosplay and *Dungeons & Dragons* panels
* Costume and Cosplay contest and activities
* Open console play with Nintendo Switches, PlayStations, and many other consoles
* Food and Ice Cream trucks
* Door prizes, Open *LEGO* build stations, VR Stations, and much more!

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION…**

Additional information, including pre-registration links, photos, etc., are available at **NorthwestState.edu/GameCon**. Follow NSCC Thunder on social media at **Instagram.com/NSCCThunder**, **Twitter.com/NSCCThunder**,and **Facebook.com/NSCCThunder** for more information about vendors, events, and other Game Con news.

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