

North Dakota Scholarship

Choice Ready Workshops

August 2024

North Dakota Scholarship Timeline

- The previous Academic and CTE Scholarship requirements are no longer available to be used!
- Starting with the Class of 2025, student must use the new North Dakota Scholarship requirements!

Make sure students (and parents!) are aware

- 1. That the scholarship requirements have changed
- 2. That there is a difference between the Choice Ready chart and the ND Scholarship requirements chart
 - We don't want students to use the Choice Ready chart thinking that it alone will qualifying them for the scholarship!!



NORTH DAKOTA SCHOLARSHIP

as aligned to the Choice Ready Framework
The North Dakota Scholarship framework is a tool to assist educators in understanding the requirements of the ND Scholarship, as listed in North Dakota Century Code 15.1-21-02.10. Requirements begin with the **ESSENTIAL SKILLS** section. Students shall then strive to be **POST-SECONDARY READY, WORKFORCE READY, and/or MILITARY READY**, according to the requirements listed below.



ESSENTIAL SKILLS (15.1-21-02.10(5))

Check here when student has complete Essential Skills

- Earn a North Dakota high school diploma
- Complete a 9-week Career Education/Individual Counseling, 4-year Rolling Plan, pass ND Civics Test, earn a 3.0 or higher overall GPA, and four or more additional indicators:
 - 25 hours of Community Service
 - Two or more years in organized Extra-Curricular Activities
 - 95% Attendance (not counting school related absences)
 - Successfully complete a Capstone Project
 - Career Exploration Experience
 - Successfully complete an online learning course
 - Two or more years in organized Co-Curricular Activities
 - Demonstrate competency in 21st Century Skills

Students shall achieve Essential Skills above, and complete two or more of the CHOICE READY components below to be eligible for the ND Scholarship.

Check here when student is Post-Secondary Ready



POST-SECONDARY READY

Complete both indicator sets below:

ACT/SAT minimum composite score:

- ACT composite of 24 , or
- SAT composite of 1180

and

Two or more additional indicators:

- Advanced Placement Course (A, B, or C) (4, 3, or 2)
- Dual Credit Course (English or Math) (A, B, or C) (4, 3, or 2)
- Algebra II (A, B, or C) (4, 3, or 2)
- Advanced Placement Exam (3+)
- International Baccalaureate Exam(4+)
- 3.0 GPA in core course requirements for NDUS admission
- 3 fine arts courses (A, B, or C) (4, 3, 2)

Check here when student is Workforce Ready



WORKFORCE READY

Complete both indicator sets below:

- 4 credits of CTE with 2 credits in same plan of study, OR 3 credits of same world language, Indigenous language, or sign language
- ACT of 24, or 5 or higher on all three WorkKeys tests or SAT composite of 1180

and

Two or more additional indicators:

- Complete Career Ready Practices Course
- Dual Credit Course (A, B, or C) (4, 3, or 2)
- Technical Assessment/Industry Credential
- Workplace Learning Experience (40 hrs.)
- Work-based Learning Experience (Perkins V) (40 hrs.)
- NDSA (Reading/Math) Level 3 or greater, or ACT for Accountability: English 19/Mathematics 22 or greater

Check here when student is Military Ready



MILITARY READY

Complete both indicator sets below:

- ASVAB score of 50 or greater, or ASVAB score of 31 or greater and have completed Basic Training;
- Physically Fit – Successfully complete required PE courses (A, B, or C) (4, 3, or 2);

and

One indicator set:

- Complete two or more additional indicators from the Post-Secondary or Workforce options:
 - _____
 - _____
- 2 credits of JROTC
- Phase One of the Cadet Civil Air Patrol Program

GPA and Grades with the new North Dakota Scholarship

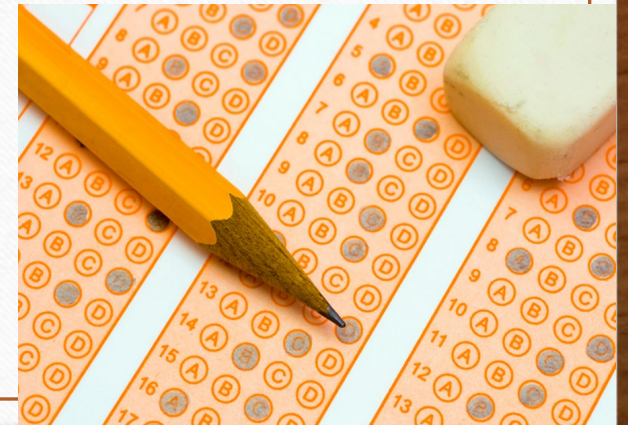
- Under the new requirements, a student **IS NOT** automatically disqualified for having one grade below a C
 - It just means they can't use that particular indicator (D in Algebra II, etc.)
- Under the new requirements, a student must have a 3.0 cumulative non-weighted GPA
 - Somewhat different from old requirements, as the old requirements did allow the 22 credit GPA to be 3.0 or higher

3-Step Approach to Start Tracking for new ND Scholarship?

- Does the student have a 3.0 GPA?
 - **NO**= student cannot qualify; **YES**= move to the next step
- Does the student have EITHER a 24 on the ACT or a 50 on the ASVAB?
 - **NO**= student cannot qualify; **YES**= move to the next step
 - **If BOTH:** Skip step 3 and look at remaining indicators and Essential Skills
- Does the Student have 4 credits of CTE (2 in same plan) or 3 credits of the same World Language?
 - **NO**= student cannot qualify; **YES**= look at remaining indicators and Essential Skills

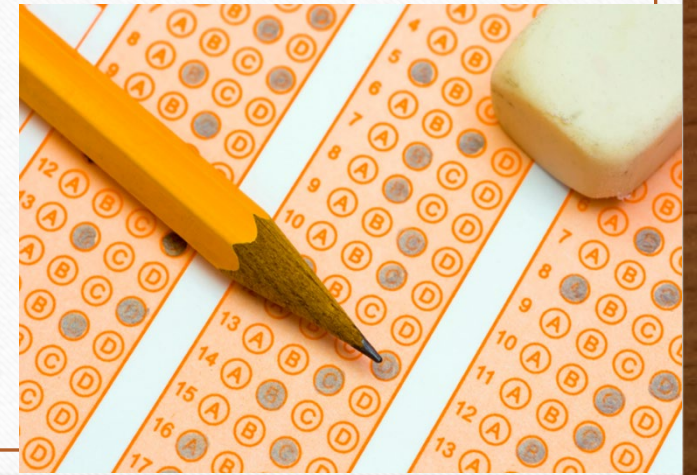
Testing Requirements

- Postsecondary Ready Pathway: Composite ACT score of 24 or higher
 - or SAT of 1180 or higher
- Workforce Ready Pathway:
 - Composite ACT score of 24 (or SAT of 1180) or higher **OR**
 - A score of 5 or higher on each of the three WorkKeys (Applied Math, Graphic Literacy, Workplace Documents)
- Military Ready: ASVAB of 50 or higher



Testing Deadlines

- All testing must take place before the student graduates!
- June 2025 ACT cannot be used for Class of 2025 graduates



ASVAB Score Reports

- DO NOT get rid of ASVAB score reports for students!
 - We need the score report for documentation when processing applications
- Send ASVAB score reports to Jim

Choice Ready Report

- Be sure you have access to the Choice Ready report for your school!
- It is recommended to complete the report throughout the students' time in high school and throughout the year, as opposed to waiting until right before the student graduates
 - eTranscript will pull data from the Choice Ready report for many of the scholarship indicators

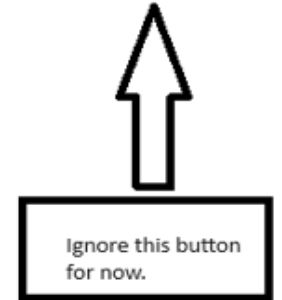
eTranscript Progress Detail and the New Requirements

- Log into eTranscript
- Click “Progress Monitoring”
- Select a student and click “View”
- Click on the “12th” icon in the North Dakota line
- See the indicators for the ND Scholarship below in the blue box

Academic	9th	10th	11th	12th	Transcript Detail
CTE	9th	10th	11th	12th	Transcript Detail
North Dakota	9th	10th	11th	12th	Transcript Detail

No Data Off Track On Track

Click on a grade level in the rows above to get a list of scholarship rules that were evaluated for that level.



Progress Detail

Rule	On Track			
	9	10	11	12
ACT or SAT	-	-	-	Yes
ACT or Workkeys	-	-	-	Yes
Additional CTE units	-	-	-	Yes
ASVAB score	-	-	-	No
Career Education	-	-	-	Yes
Civics Test	-	-	-	Yes
Coordinated Plan of Study	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Essential Skills Additional Indicators	-	-	-	Yes
Military Ready Additional Indicators	-	-	-	Yes
Minimum GPA	-	-	-	Yes
Must be Resident	-	-	-	Yes
Physical Education	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
PostSecondary Additional Indicators	-	-	-	Yes
Rolling Plan	-	-	-	Yes
Same Foreign Language	-	-	-	No
Workforce Ready Additional Indicators	-	-	-	Yes

North Dakota Scholarship Reporting

- Info for ND Scholarship will be pulled from eTranscript and Choice Ready Report
- **VERY** important to have Choice Ready report completed and submitted **ON TIME!!**
 - Choice Ready report is due on June 30

Scholarship Applications for Class of 2025

- Applications will open January 6, deadline to apply is June 6
- Choice Ready report is still due June 30
 - Jim will start reviewing scholarship applications in June, and then continue through July, as schools complete the Choice Ready report

North Dakota Scholarship Reporting for Non-Public Schools

- A verification form is available for non-public schools
 - To account for the fact that non-public schools don't do the Choice Ready report
 - Nonpublic schools must complete a verification form for each student that is eligible for the new North Dakota Scholarship
- The verification form is available on our website

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North Dakota Scholarship

The North Dakota Scholarship aims to align scholarship requirements to the Choice Ready initiative. One thing to keep in mind is that the requirements will align to Choice Ready, but are more rigorous than what is required for Choice Ready. The North Dakota Scholarship is worth \$6,000 and can be used at approved colleges, universities, professional schools, and registered apprenticeship programs in North Dakota.

The North Dakota Scholarship has several components. The first component is the essential skills. All students must fulfill the requirements of the essential skills in order to be eligible for the scholarship. The next three components are Post-Secondary Ready, Workforce Ready, and Military. Students must meet 2 of those 3 components to be eligible. Any student that meets the essential skill requirements, as well as 2 of the 3 (Post-Secondary Ready, Workforce Ready, and Military Ready) components, qualifies for the North Dakota Scholarship. Please see the North Dakota Scholarship Framework for specific details on the requirements of each component of the North Dakota Scholarship Requirements.



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ND Scholarship Requirements

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Individual School Scholarship Presentations

- I am willing to do scholarship presentations for students and/or parents
- During the school day, in the evening, or both!
- If interested in having a presentation for your school, get in contact with Jim Upgren

Please Contact me with Questions!

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Opportunity

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