

Choice Ready Additional State Funding

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North Dakota Choice Ready



NORTH DAKOTA CHOICE READY

The North Dakota **CHOICE READY** framework is a tool to assist educators to ensure all students successfully depart high school possessing the **ESSENTIAL SKILLS** necessary to be ready for life. The journey begins by ensuring students leave having the **ESSENTIAL SKILLS** to be successful for whichever path they choose. Students shall then strive to be **POST-SECONDARY READY, WORKFORCE READY, and/or MILITARY READY.**



ESSENTIAL SKILLS

Earn a North Dakota high school diploma

Complete a 9-week Career Education Course/Individual Counseling (15.1-21-18), Financial Literacy (15.1-21-21), and pass ND Civics Test (15.1-21-27), Computer Science/Cybersecurity Requirement (15.1-21-02.2), 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
- Multicultural Awareness

Students shall then complete two or more of the **CHOICE READY** components below.



POST-SECONDARY READY

Complete a **Four-Year Rolling Career Plan**, and earn a **2.8 GPA or greater**, and complete one academic indicator set below:

ACT / SAT minimum or subsections scores:

ACT English – 18
 ACT Reading – 22 SAT Reading/Writing – 480
 ACT Math – 21 SAT Math – 530
 ACT Science – 23

or

Two or more additional indicators:

- Advanced Placement Course (A, B, or C) or (4, 3, or 2)
- Dual Credit Course (A, B, or C) or (4, 3, or 2)
- Algebra II (A, B, or C) or (4, 3, or 2)
- Advanced Placement Exam (3+)
- International Baccalaureate Exam (4+)
- 3.0 GPA in core course requirement for NDUS admission
- CREAM (Eng./Math) Course (70% or greater)
- Complete three Fine Arts Courses (A, B, or C) or (4, 3, or 2)



WORKFORCE READY

Complete a **Four-Year Rolling Career Plan**, and complete two or more additional indicators:

- Complete three CTE courses or more (A, B, or C) or (4, 3, or 2)
- Complete Career Ready Practices (3.0)
- Dual Credit Course (A, B, or C) or (4, 3, or 2)
- WorkKeys (Gold or Silver)
- Technical Assessment/Industry Credential
- Workplace Learning Experience (40 hrs.)
- Work-based Learning Experience (Perkins V) (40hrs)
- NDSA (Reading/Math) Level 3 or greater or (ACT for Accountability: English – 19/Math – 22)
- Complete three World Language Courses (A, B, or C) or (4, 3, or 2)



MILITARY READY

Complete a **Four-Year Rolling Career Plan**, **ASVAB score of 31 or greater** (as determined by branch), or acceptance into the military.

Quality Citizenship (No Expulsions/Suspensions)
Physically Fit - Successfully complete required PE courses (A, B, or C) or (4, 3, or 2)

and

Complete **two or more** additional indicators from the **Post-Secondary** or **Workforce** options.

or

Complete two credits of JROTC or Civil Air Patrol

Additional State Funding Sources

Funding Sources Reviewed in this section:

- Advanced Placement (AP)
Course Exams
- College Ready English and
Math (CREAM)

Advanced Placement (AP)

North Dakota Department of Public Instruction reimburses costs of AP exams:

- 100% of the first qualifying exam. 50% of the next three qualifying exams for an individual student.
- disadvantaged students receive reimbursement of 100% for up to four qualifying exams.
- 100% of exams for AP Research and AP Seminar (AP capstone courses).

Qualifying AP Exams

AP English Language
and Composition

AP English Literature
and Composition

AP English Seminar

AP PreCalculus

AP Calculus AB and
BC

AP Computer Science
A

AP Computer Science
Principles

AP Statistics

AP Biology

AP Chemistry

AP Environmental
Science

AP Physics C:
Electricity and
Magnetism, Physics C:
Mechanics, Physics 1
and Physics 2

AP Seminar and AP
Research (Capstone
Courses)

AP Summer Institute Training

The NDDPI provides reimbursement for expenses teachers incur when attending the AP Summer Institutes to learn to teach AP courses.

- Up to \$2,500 of the expenses are reimbursed.

College Ready English and Math

Purpose of Program: Help provide remediation prior to post secondary to save students tuition rates.

State Supports:

- NDDPI pays the costs of access codes for the program for each student.
 - \$85.00 for English (Connect through McGraw Hill) for 12 months.
 - \$30.00 for Math (My Math Test through Pearson) for 48 Weeks.
- NDDPI pays the stipend for the teacher for the program.
- NDDPI provides training and technical support for the program.

Dual Credit Tuition Scholarship

North Dakota Century Code 15-10-38.4 provides for a tuition scholarship to be awarded toward the cost of tuition and fees at an accredited in-state public, private, or tribal institution of higher education for North Dakota students who have successfully completed a dual credit course during high school upon completion of one semester, quarter, or term at a public, private, or tribal institution of higher education with a physical presence in the state.

One Credit: \$250

Two Credits: \$500

Three Credits: \$750 (maximum amount given)

Support from the Bank of North Dakota for Dual Credit

The Bank of North Dakota will provide assistance for North Dakota residents who are sophomores, juniors, or seniors in high school and qualify for free or reduced meals to take dual credit courses.

Assistance is provided for two dual credit courses. Students may learn more and apply through the Bank of North Dakota Website.

Address: [Earn College Credits During High School - Bank of North Dakota \(nd.gov\)](#)

Questions

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