

Template Letter to Parents on CREAM/CLEM

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Pursuing a college degree is an achievement desired by many parents for their child; however, many students are tasked with having to take developmental coursework upon entering college. This is coursework that does not provide credits towards the student's degree of study. Regrettably, having to take these developmental courses while in college results in additional time and money spent for these students and their families.

Fortunately, there are solutions to this problem called College Ready English and Math, and College Lab English and Math, also known as CREAM and CLEM for short. Through CREAM and CLEM, North Dakota students now can take that same necessary coursework during their senior year of high school. Successful completion of these courses while in high school provides students the opportunity to begin taking all credit-bearing courses immediately in college, saving both time and money.

If you are interested in learning more about CREAM or CLEM, so your 11th grader can access these programs during his/her senior year of high school, please visit with the following staff at our school:

(Insert names and contact information for staff with knowledge on CREAM/CLEM)

The North Dakota State Legislature has appropriated funds to the North Dakota Department of Public Instruction (NDDPI) and the Center for Distance Education to administer these programs. A fact sheet on CREAM/CLEM is available on the NDDPI website at www.nd.gov/dpi/creamclem.

If you would like to visit with me on this issue, please call or email me anytime.

Sincerely,

Building Principal