**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

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
- ACT Math – 21
- ACT Science – 23

or

- Two or more additional indicators:
  - Advanced Placement Course (A, B, or C) or (4, 3, or 2)
  - Dual Credit Course (English or Math) (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.

- Complete two credits of JROTC or Civil Air Patrol

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