

Choice Ready - Dual Credit Initiative

Guidance

Choice Ready is a key metric in the North Dakota accountability system and part of our statewide PK-12 strategic vision. Choice Ready is designed to prepare students for success upon graduation. This guidance is intended to share key information for colleges and universities to guide in their decision on whether to participate in this initiative.

Colleges and universities interested in being part of this work will complete a Letter of Intent. The NDDPI will generate a contract with each college/university upon acceptance.

- <u>WebGrants</u> The North Dakota Department of Public Instruction (NDDPI) has a grants management system called WebGrants. This project would require interested ND colleges and universities to become registered users in WebGrants, as the contract, reimbursement claims, etc., will be made through this system.
- <u>Identified Liaison</u> Each college/university would need to identify a liaison to coordinate this project and work with personnel in approved schools and help answer questions. The liaison and their contact information for this project will be listed on the Choice Ready website.
- <u>No Administrative Costs</u> The NDDPI is not providing any administrative costs to colleges/universities to participate in the initiative. The time for the identified liaison to coordinate this work and the finance office to process claims would be considered inkind contributions.
- <u>Reporting</u> The NDDPI is using federal dollars to support this project, so there will be reporting requirements (i.e. number of students, Dual Credit courses selected, etc.).
- <u>Dual Credit Reimbursement Rates</u> The NDDPI will be using the following reimbursement rates provided to us by NDUS.
 - (Teacher paid by school district) Subsidized: \$89.43 per credit hour
 - (Teacher paid by university) Unsubsidized: \$153.96 per credit hour
- <u>Intent to Participate</u> Colleges and universities interested in participating in this project should submit the Letter of Intent to the NDDPI by May 20, 2024. The form should be emailed to dpiasstsupt@nd.gov.
- <u>School Choice Ready Application</u> Accepted colleges and universities will be listed in a drop-down menu on the choice ready application that high schools complete, so they can identify which college and university they elect to work with on this project.
- <u>Questions</u> If you have any questions, please contact <u>Laurie Matzke</u> at (701) 328- 2284.