



Challenging Students with AP and Dual Credit Courses

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Presentation Objectives

- Review Choice Ready grant information.
- Review how AP and Dual Credit fit in to the Choice Ready Framework.
- Provide an introduction to AP and Dual Credit and their role within Choice Ready.
- Explain AP and Dual Credit and the supports available for each program.



Choice Ready Grant Information

Applications may be made by high school principals, CTE administrator, and/or special education directors.

Grant is competitive and will be reviewed and scored.

Grant Awards are available up to \$20,000 per application.

Purpose of the Grant

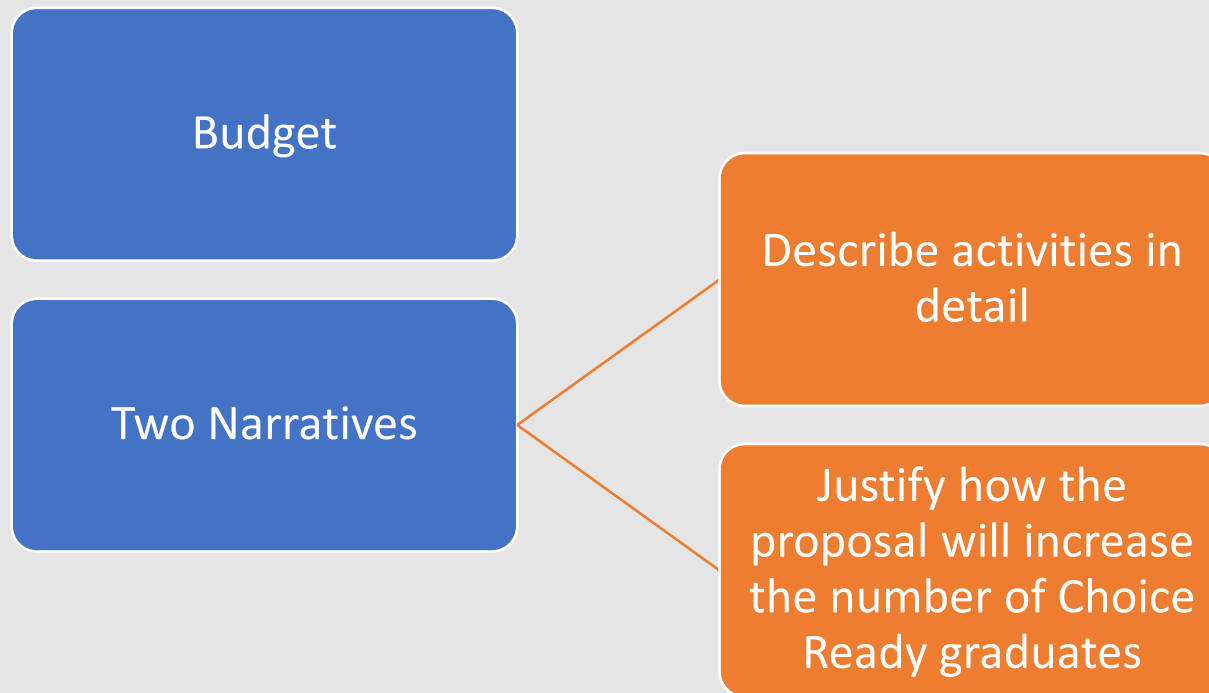


Build up Choice Ready Assessment

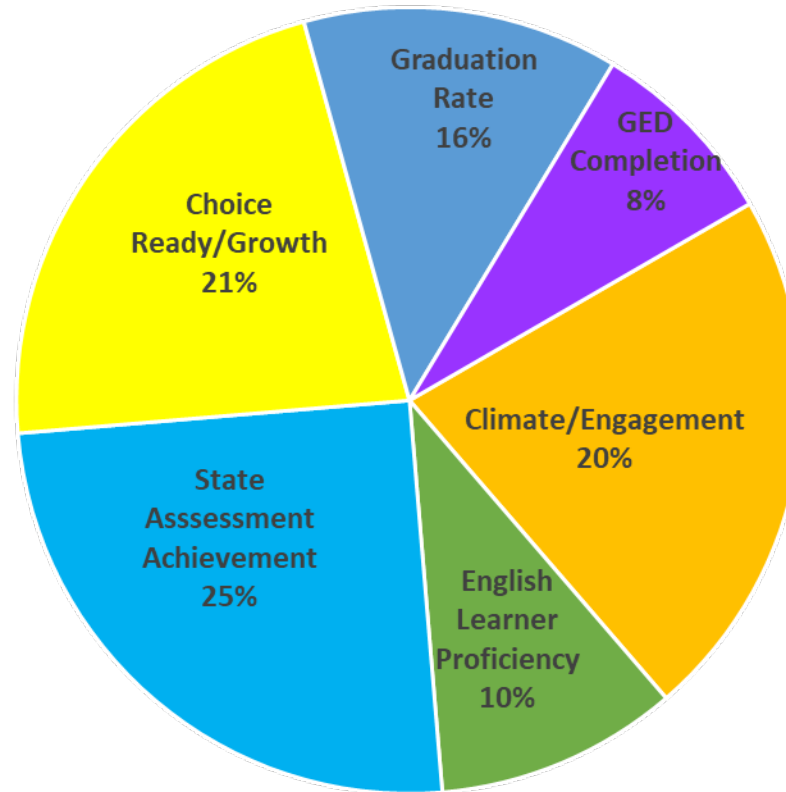


Enable more students to graduate
Choice Ready

Application Contents



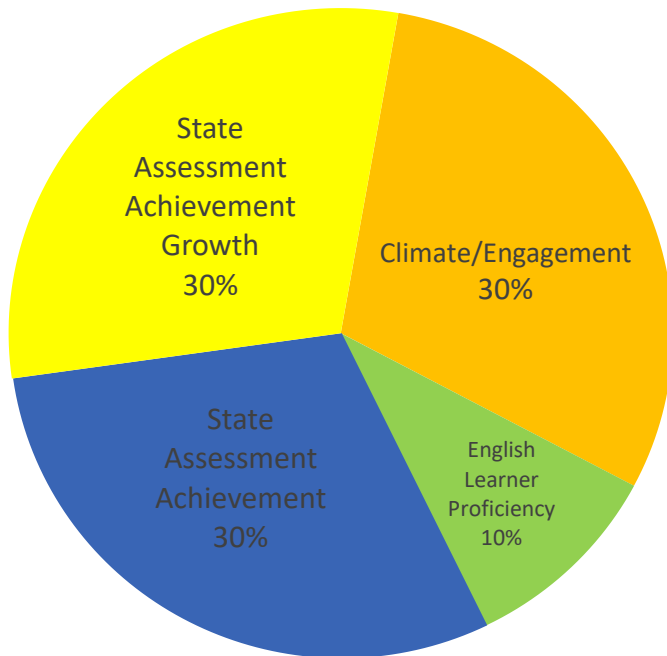
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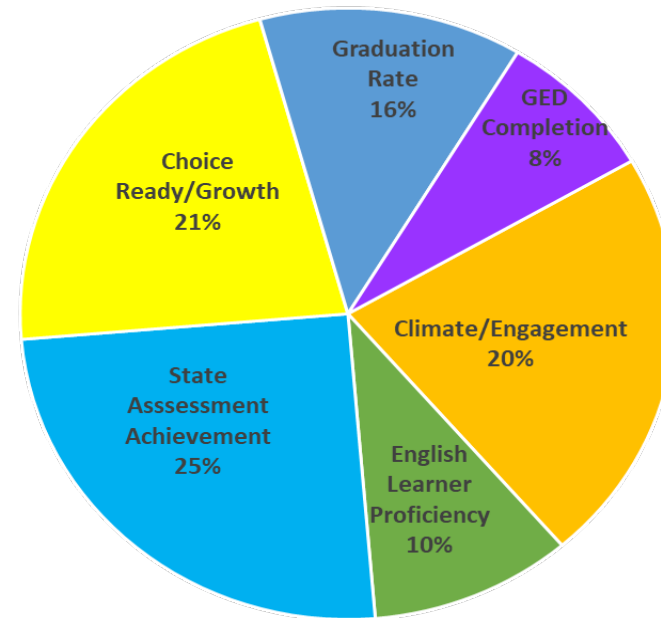
Student Growth Model

- Under ESSA, North Dakota has a growth model at both the elementary and high school levels

Elementary



High School



Indicators:

- 25 hours of Community Service
- 95% Attendance (not counting school related absences)
- Work-based Learning Experience
- Two or more years in organized Co-Curricular Activities
- Two or more years in organized Extra-Curricular Activities
- Successfully complete a Capstone Project
- Successfully complete an on-line learning course
- 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 Plan**, and earn a **2.8 GPA or greater**, and complete one academic indicator set below:

ACT / SAT minimum subsection scores:

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

or

Two or more additional indicators:

- Advanced Placement Course (A, B or C)
- Dual Credit Course (English or Math) (A, B or C)
- Algebra II (A, B or C)
- Advanced Placement Exam (3+)
- International Baccalaureate Exam (4+)



WORKFORCE READY

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

- Complete three CTE courses or more (A, B, or C)
- Complete Career Ready Practices (3.0)
- Dual Credit Course (A, B or C)
- WorkKeys (Gold or Silver)
- Technical Assessment / Industry Credential
- Work-place Learning Experience (75 hrs)
- CLEM/CREAM (Eng/Math) Course (70% or greater)
- NDSA (Reading/Math) Level 3 or greater



MILITARY READY

Complete a **Four Year Rolling Plan**, **ASVAB score of 31 or greater** (as determined by branch), **Quality Citizenship** (No Expulsions/Suspensions), **Physically Fit**, and

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

What is Advanced Placement (AP)

- College level courses consisting of a national curriculum developed by both high school and college teachers overseen by the College Board.
- The courses prepare the students to take an AP Exam.
- Scoring a 3 or higher on the exam can earn college credit for the course or placement out of introductory college courses.

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Costs to Students

- Exam Fee of \$95.00 per exam

Cost of exams for school is reduced by \$9.00 per exam due to discount. School cost is \$86.00 per exam.





Supports from College Board

- AP Daily Videos which help support students with content and skills covered in the AP courses.
- Daily live Review Sessions for students which are available on YouTube live or as recordings available in AP Classroom starting April 19 through April 29. These videos help prepare students to take the AP examinations.
- Teachers have Course Pacing Guides which outline the key concepts to be taught and assist with the planning of instruction.
- AP Summer Institutes which provide training for AP teachers and help them plan their course lessons.



State Supports for AP Science, English, Math and Computer Science Courses

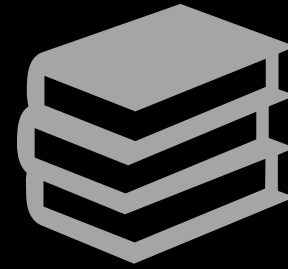


Exam Reimbursements

The state reimburses 100% of the first exam in high school career

The state reimburses 50% of the next three exams taken in high school

If students are impoverished the state reimburses 100% of four exams taken in high school.



Teacher training – APSI (AP Summer Institutes)

The state reimburses up to \$2,500 for registration and travel of teachers attending AP summer institutes to teach AP courses.

AP Tutorial Support from Schoolhouse.world

- Schoolhouse.world from Sal Khan of Khan Academy provides free live tutoring sessions for the following AP courses:
 - Calculus
 - Statistics
 - Chemistry
 - Biology
 - Physics
 - Computer Science

NMSI Support – College Readiness Program

- Supports Provided:
 - Teacher professional development for AP Math, Science, Computer Science, and English
 - Professional development for grades 6-12 in Math, Science, and English
 - Course supplies for AP courses
 - Student study sessions for AP courses
 - Access for AP courses for students without on-campus AP teachers



What is a Dual Credit Course?

- This is a semester college level course that is taught through a 2-4 year institution on a college campus, virtually, or at a high school. Students receive .5 units of high school credit for the course.
- The teacher may be from the high school or the college. Teacher must hold a master's degree in the content area taught.
- Schools work with the higher education institution on details surrounding the course.
- Students receive college credits and high school credits upon successful completion of the course.



Student Criteria to Take a Dual Credit Course



Must be in grades 10-12



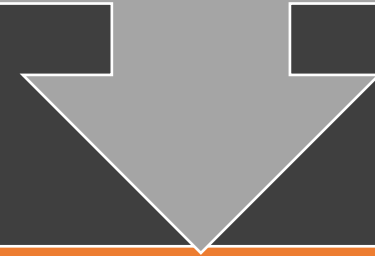
Must have a minimum GPA of 2.0



Must have the permission of the high school superintendent

Costs of Dual Credit for the Student

Students are responsible for books, fees and other costs incurred in the course.



Students need to pay the admission fee to the post-secondary institution.

Advantages of Dual Credit

Exposes students to the rigor and workload of a college course.

Students has access to the college resources at the institution in which they are enrolled.

Simplifies university or college enrollment. Admission fee is already paid. They have already been accepted at the college or university.

Tuition costs are reduced so dual credit saves students money in their post-secondary career.

Cautions with Dual Credit

The course will be shown on the student's college transcript whether or not they pass the course.

Most course are transferrable in state. If the student plans to attend college out of state, they need to check if the credits will transfer.

Supports for Dual Credit



Bank of North Dakota provides assistance for needy students for two dual credit courses if they meet the requirements. Assistance is not provided if they need to retake a course. Assistance is paid to the college at which the course is taken.



HB 1375 provides a reimbursement scholarship for dual credit courses.

Reimbursement Scholarship Criteria

Scholarship pays 50% of the cost of dual credit courses up to a maximum of \$750.

Enrolled one complete semester, term, quarter at a public, private, or tribal institution of higher education in state.

Graduated from a ND high school or border state if residing in ND with custodial parents.

Complete at least one dual credit course provided by an institution under the control of the of the state board of higher education while enrolled in high school in state.

QUESTIONS??





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