Helping Students Be Choice Ready

Leveraging Choice Ready Grant Dollars with Center for Distance Education (CDE)
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) and four or more additional indicators:
- 25 hours of Community Service
- 95% Attendance (not counting school related absences)
- Career Exploration Experience
- Two or more years in organized Co-Curricular Activities

**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 subsection 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) (1, 2, or 3)
  - Dual Credit Course (English or Math) (A, B or C) (1, 2, or 3)
  - Algebra II (A, B or C) or (1, 2, or 3)
  - Advanced Placement Exam (3+)
  - International Baccalaureate Exam (4+)
  - 3.0 GPA in core course requirement for NDUS admission
  - CLEM/CREAM (Eng./Math) Course (70% or greater)

**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 (1, 2, or 3)
- Complete Career Ready Practices (3.0)
- Dual Credit Course (A, B or C) or (1, 2, or 3)
- WorkKeys (Gold or Silver)
- Technical Assessment / Industry Credential
- Workplace Learning Experience (40 hrs.)
- Work-based Learning Experience (Perkins V) (40 hrs.)
- CLEM/CREAM (Eng./Math) Course (70% or greater)
- NDSA (Reading/Math) Level 3 or greater or (ACT for Accountability: English 19/Mathematics 22)

**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/Susensions)
- Physically Fit (Students who have successfully completed required PE courses (A, B, or C) or (1, 2, or 3)

Complete two or more additional indicators from the Post-Secondary or Workforce options.
Choice Ready Grant Applications

Who Can Apply:
- High School Principals
- CTE Administrators
- Special Education Directors

Competitive Grant?
- Yes. Team will review and score all applications

Award Amounts
- Up to $20,000 per application.

Purpose of the Grant
1. Build up the Choice Ready Assessment.
2. Enable more students to graduate Choice Ready.

Grant Application Narrative must include:
1. Description of proposed activities in detail.
2. Justify how the proposal will increase the amount of choice ready graduates in your district.

Dates:
- Deadline for applications: May 10th, 2021
- Dollars must be spent by August 2022.
Online Course Subject Areas

• Aerospace
• Agriculture
• Art
• Business and Marketing
• Computer Education
• English
• FACS
• Health Careers
• Math
• Music
• Physical Education and Health
• Science
• Social Studies
• Technical Education
• World Languages
Career Certification Pathways (More coming soon)

Allied Health Assistant
• CDE Prep Courses
  - Health Science Foundations
  - Anatomy and Physiology
  - Medical Terminology
  - Allied Health Assistant Certification
- National Health Science Assessment
- NOCTI Job Ready Assessments

Microsoft Office
• CDE Prep Courses
  - Principles of IT
  - Word
  - Excel
  - PowerPoint Certification
- MOS Exam 77-725: Word
- MOS Exam 77-727: Excel
- MOS Exam 77-729: PowerPoint
## Online Course Catalog

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Note: Nelson Ag courses are $189/$159 for NDSOS Members
CDE’s Online Instructional Model

Student Diagnostic
- Beginning of course survey.
- Contact is made.

Targeted Academic Plan
- Provide each student with what they need to be successful.
- Interventions implemented.

Student Feedback
- Teacher provides feedback on submitted work.
- Communication is maintained with student.

Course Completion
Student completes end of course survey.
CDE Next Steps

- Website Tour
- Questions?
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