



START COLLEGE NOW

Information for Students and Parents



NORTHEAST
WI Technical College

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COLLEGE LEVEL COURSES WHILE IN HIGH SCHOOL:

Start College Now provides greater learning opportunities for qualified high school juniors and seniors.

This program is a dual credit program. Students are allowed the opportunity to take college courses at Wisconsin Technical Colleges during the regular academic year while also completing high school graduation requirements. If you want to explore college coursework from NWTC Industry-expert instructors, Start College Now may be for you!

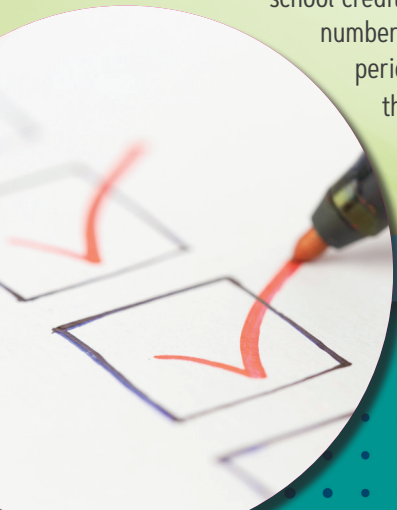
ELIGIBILITY:

The Start College Now program is available to public high school students in grades 11 and 12 who meet the following requirements:

- Have completed the 10th grade.
- Are in good academic standing and have no disciplinary/enrollment issues.
- Apply to their local school board by March 1 for the fall semester and October 1 for the spring semester. Visit your counselor or nwtc.edu/startcollegenow for an application.

DETERMINING HIGH SCHOOL CREDIT, NUMBER OF ALLOWABLE CREDITS, AND COURSE COMPARABILITY:

- The school board determines whether a technical college course is eligible for high school credit, the amount of high school credit to be awarded, the total number of credits in which the student may enroll over the two-year period, and whether the course is comparable to one offered at the high school.



Benefits:

- **College Credit** – Start College Now course(s) offers the student both high school credit toward graduation as well as college credit to take with them as they continue their educational journey.
- **Tuition & Textbooks are free** – The course tuition, textbooks and fees are covered by the school district.
- **Explore & Experience college coursework.**

APPLICATION:

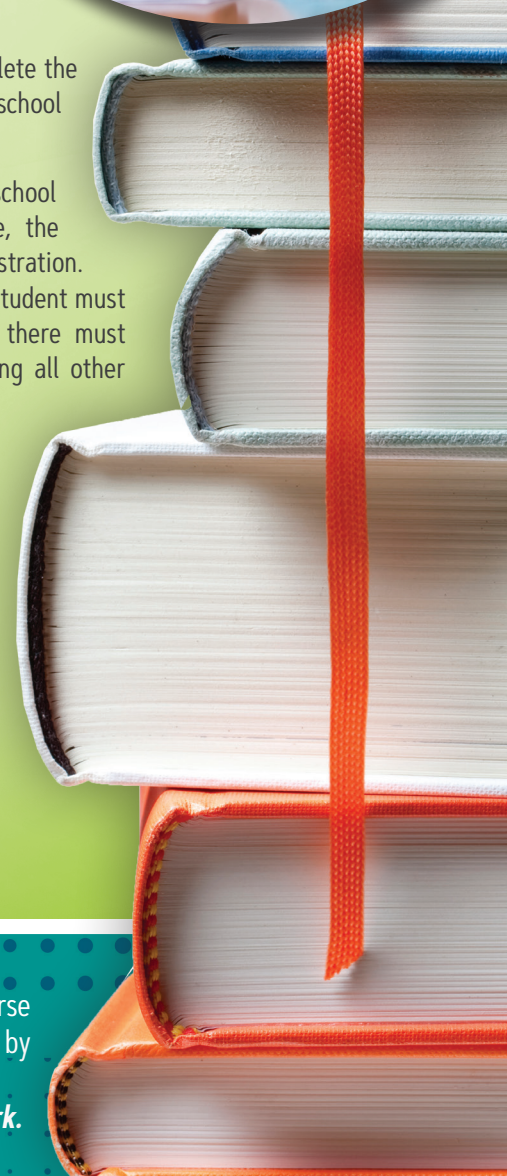
If you're an interested junior or senior, meet with your high school counselor to discuss your career plans and determine if enrolling in college courses through the Start College Now program is right for you.

To apply for the program, students should complete the program application and submit it to the local school board by the required due date.

Once the application is approved by the local school board and forwarded to the technical college, the student will be informed of the process for registration. In order to register for a requested course, the student must meet course requirements, prerequisites, and there must be space available in the course after admitting all other students through regular course enrollment.

STUDENTS WITH A DISABILITY:

Students with a disability are encouraged to participate in the Start College Now program. The school board, however, may refuse to permit a student with a disability to attend a technical college if it would impose an undue financial burden on the school district. For more information on college level accommodations, contact NWTC's Disability Services.



PAYMENT OF TUITION AND FEES:

The school district will pay the technical college for tuition, course fees, and books for technical college courses approved for high school credit that are not comparable to courses offered at the high school. Some districts may require that books be returned to the school district at the end of the course. Failure to successfully complete the course may result in student/parent reimbursement to school district.

TRANSPORTATION COSTS:

The student is responsible for transportation costs to attend courses held on the college campus or other location.

APPEALS:

A student may appeal the school district's decision about awarding of high school credit or comparability of the course to the State Superintendent of Public Instruction within 30 days of receiving notification of non-approval from the school district.

For Further Information:

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