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Supporting Our K-12 Educational Partners
in College and Career Readiness

EARLY COLLEGE OPPORTUNITIES



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WI Technical College

PARTNERS FOR COLLEGE AND CAREER READINESS

Together, NWTC and K12 school districts throughout Northeast Wisconsin are increasing the college and career readiness of the region's high school students.

How?

Through TECHNOW collaborations, NWTC and its K12 partners are enabling students to earn college credits while still in high school.

EARLY COLLEGE OPPORTUNITIES available through TECHNOW

From offering a few dual credit classes to providing full career pathways, school districts are customizing their TECHNOW collaborations to fit their capacity and goals:

- The majority of the region's K12 school districts currently offer one or more dual credit classes (courses in which students can earn both high school and college credits).
- Some K-12 districts have strengthened their commitment to college and career readiness by building career pathways for their students.

Dual Credit Classes

Area high school students can earn college credits – while also earning credit toward high school graduation – in 20 unique career clusters and a variety of associate degree programs through these dual credit experiences:

- **Transcribed Credit** – Students learn NWTC curriculum from high school teachers who have been trained by NWTC faculty.
- **Start College Now (formerly Youth Options)** – Students learn college curriculum from NWTC industry-expert instructors.
- **Youth Apprenticeship** – Students receive industry-related classroom training from NWTC instructors; students may also be assigned to work-related placements.

Career Pathways

Through career pathways, students can earn 3 to 30 plus college credits toward specific careers – like nursing assistant and automotive – before they even graduate from high school! That strong start allows students to save thousands of dollars in tuition and makes it more likely they will persist and earn a post-secondary credential.

Career pathways clearly connect high school students to the workforce – with an emphasis on attaining a higher education credential.

Leading the Way

Several K12 school districts have emerged as leaders in the area's career pathways movement. The school districts are connecting their students to in-demand careers through regional technical academies created in partnership with NWTC.



The NWTC Northwoods welding program has given me the knowledge and skill set to not only succeed but advance to the top of my trade.

Trevor,
2012 Graduate of the Northwoods Regional Academy
(a partnership between NWTC and the school districts of Crivitz, Beecher-Dunbar-Pembine, and Wausaukee).





ABOUT TECHNOW PARTNERSHIPS

Partnership Resources and Tools

- **Library resources** – learning materials organized by content area through the NWTC Library website
- **Blackboard** – an online learning platform that allows online grade book capabilities, the ability to link students with online resources such as videos and interactive learning objects, and additional content-specific learning resources



NWTC has been an integral partner to our school district through expanded course offerings and the development of state-of-the-art facilities in advanced manufacturing. With NWTC our students are always working on innovative and practical applications that help them reach their full potential.

Nick Cochart,
Superintendent, Algoma School District

Partnership Benefits

- **Increased awareness of career pathways** in technical occupations for high school students and their parents
- **Increased engagement and performance of high school students** through delivery of STEM curriculum and hands-on, industry-aligned learning
- **Increased number of students pursuing a credential** beyond high school, building and sustaining a skilled workforce in our communities
- **Shared resources among educational partners** and professional development opportunities for high school teachers
- **Tuition savings for dual credit students** upon transfer of credits to NWTC (or other colleges/universities that accept the credits)

Start or Strengthen Your

TECHNOW PARTNERSHIP

with NWTC

Do you want to increase your dual credit offerings or establish a technical academy in your school district? Want more information about the benefits of career pathways? Contact NWTC today!

It was a great opportunity in getting a head start on college career.

Jamie,
parent of Early College Practical
Nursing Graduate

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