



NORTHEAST
WI Technical College

Start College Now

Student Orientation

Start College Now...

- ▶ Start College Now provides greater learning opportunities for qualified high school juniors and seniors. If you wish to begin college early, or want to prepare to enter the workforce immediately after high school graduation, you will be interested in Start College Now.
- ▶ This program will allow students the opportunity to take college courses at Wisconsin Technical Colleges during the regular academic year while also completing high school graduation requirements.



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 him 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

Eligibility

- ▶ The Start College Now program is available to Wisconsin public high school students in grades 11 and 12 who meet the following requirements:
 - ▶ •Have completed the 10th grade.
 - ▶ •Are in good academic standing.
 - ▶ •Apply to their local school board by March 1 for the fall semester and October 1 for the spring semester.

Student Responsibilities

Attendance and communication are key to your success!

- ▶ Work with high school counselor to choose class(es)
- ▶ Register for class(es)
- ▶ Inform school district of enrollment
- ▶ Pick up textbooks before semester starts
- ▶ Return textbooks and materials to high school at end of semester, except for those paid by student
- ▶ Attend class(es) at NWTC
- ▶ Know Blackboard and my.NWTC log in information and use for course communication
- ▶ Watch for Starfish alerts in email & utilize NWTC resources
- ▶ Maintain at least a 2.0 GPA to ensure financial aid will not be affected

Parent/Guardian Responsibilities

- Make sure student is in compliance with compulsory school attendance
- Pay for comparable courses or over 18 credits
- Comply with school district policy for courses dropped after the course start date or failed courses
- Your child/our student must sign a release before we can share information with parents.



School District Responsibilities

The process starts with a student and their counselor...

- ▶ School counselor will aid student in choosing courses
- ▶ School board determines if requested courses are comparable to classes offered in district
- ▶ Send SCN form to school board for approval
 - ▶ March 1 for fall; October 1 for spring
- ▶ Send SCN form to NWTC after approval is granted
 - ▶ May 15 for fall; November 15 for spring
- ▶ School District pays for tuition and fees for non-comparable courses
 - ▶ 18 credit limit over Jr. & Sr. years
- ▶ School District pays for books and other necessary materials directly related to the course that will not become property of student



What will NWTC do?

Your success is important to us!

- ▶ Disability Services
 - ▶ If you have an IEP and need accommodations, you must contact Disability Services Office
 - ▶ Your school does not contact our office.
 - ▶ Accommodations provided in high school may or may not be offered in college. There are differences!
- ▶ Academic Advising
 - ▶ Assists with scheduling courses
 - ▶ Answers questions about programs of interest and requirements
- ▶ Coaching and Tutoring
- ▶ Starfish
 - ▶ Early alert academic performance system

Transferring Start College Now Courses

These courses are dual credit and will appear on your high school and NWTC transcript.

Career Coaches and Academic Advisors can identify the value of your courses in NWTC academic programs. Connect early to take full advantage of coursework that can be applied to NWTC programming.

If choosing to attend another post-secondary, it is up to the receiving institution how they accept NWTC credits.

Request an official transcript to be sent when you are applying to your college

Let's Register for Class

- **To register through your my.NWTC you need:**

- Student ID and log in information
- Class Title
- Catalog Number

- **Check mode of instruction:**

- In Person (P)
- Accelerated (AC)
- Video Conference (ITV)
- Blended (B)
- Online (NET)
- Learning in Community (LinC)

- **Course sequencing:**

- Prerequisites and co-requisites
- Class offerings by semester

- **Check start-end dates**

- **Days:**

- **M=Monday, T=Tuesday, W=Wednesday, R=Thursday, F=Friday, S=Saturday, U=Sunday**

**Note that your high school calendar may not align with NWTC's for Spring or Winter Break. Choose a course that matches best with your schedule. Tuition dollars start accumulating the first day of class. See NWTC [Withdrawal](#) and [Refund policies](#) for more information.

Key Contacts:

Your High School Counselor

NWTC Career Coach at your High School

<https://www.nwtc.edu/programs/k-12-offerings/high-school-students/meet-your-career-coach>

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