



Northwood-Kensett Community School

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Creating healthy, educated, ethical and productive citizens.

Students and parents,

Taking concurrent enrollment coursework while still in high school is an attractive option for students who seek to be challenged, and who are pursuing hard-to-find courses to prepare for post-secondary education.

However, these courses are very different from what parents and students are used to in traditional high school classes:

- Parents, due to privacy laws governing colleges, neither you nor N-K Schools may be able to receive any information from the college on your son or daughter's progress,
- Students, if you've chosen an online course, be prepared to wait a day or more to hear back from your instructor with answers to questions you may have sent via e-mail,
- Students must be proficient with technology and seek help immediately if things aren't working correctly online. Missed deadlines will significantly affect a student's grade,
- The courses are free to families, except for the cost of necessary materials,
- These are truly college courses, which means the student is largely on their own to learn about due dates, expectations, course requirements, grades, and all other information necessary. The support system they enjoy in high school is non-existent at the college level,
- If a student chooses to drop a class after the first two weeks of NIACC's term, he/she will receive an "F" on his/her high school transcript.
- All grades earned will appear on the high school transcript, and will affect extracurricular eligibility if that grade is an "F."

We want parents and students to understand clearly the differences between what they're used to in the high school setting and the unfamiliar world of college coursework. As always, if you have more questions or would like to learn more before signing on to a concurrent enrollment course, call us or drop by any time.

Please sign and return this required paperwork

I understand the benefits and risks of my son/daughter taking a concurrent enrollment course.

Student name

Parent signature

Date

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