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How families can approach the college application process

Going to college is the next step in many high school graduates' academic journeys. The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics indicates that around 62 percent of recent high school graduates were enrolled in college as of 2023. College enrollment has remained relatively stable in recent years, with around 60 percent of students enrolling in college after high school.

Many current high school students are planning to attend college, and they may wonder when to begin the application process. U.S. News & World Report advises students to check in with the individual schools they are considering, as deadlines and requirements for college applications vary by school. Fall of senior year typically is a busy time for college applications. This timeline can help students better prepare for the college application process.

- Begin your college search during junior year of high school. This also is a time to visit schools in person to get a feel for each campus. By spring of junior year, it is advisable to have taken the SAT or ACT test at least once. These tests can be taken again in the fall and then the highest score will be sent to colleges.

- Continue to look at colleges the summer before senior year and narrow down which colleges seem to be the best fit. Western Colorado University suggests it could be a good idea to begin the application process during the summer before senior year. This gives students plenty of time to finish an application before the deadline.

- Most students wait until the fall of senior year of high school before they do the bulk of their college applications. Schools will have separate deadlines for early decision, early action and regular decision, so it is important to know these cutoff dates and apply accordingly. Early action tends to close out in November, while general applications need to be in by January or February. A student who applies for early decision and is accepted by a school must withdraw all other applications, as early decision is binding.

- Most students will hear back about their applications by April of senior year.

College Decision Day occurs on May 1 each year. This is the date when most students commit to a particular school. It's a time of great celebration and anticipation regarding what the next several years will bring.



Consider these community college benefits

College is the next natural step for many students after they finish high school. The process of finding a school begins in junior year of high school, and students and their parents may visit many different colleges and universities throughout the next year. Even though the bulk of the focus might be on four-year schools, students who may not yet have everything all figured out should not overlook the many benefits of community colleges.



The United States Department of State's Education USA says community colleges offer two-year programs that lead to the Associate of Arts (AA) or Associate of Science (AS) degree. Some community colleges also have vocational programs. Community colleges are a viable option for students interested in continuing their education. Undergraduate students studying at community colleges can earn academic credit that will eventually go toward a bachelor's degree should they choose to continue schooling. The following are some of the benefits of community college.

- Flexible admissions process: Community colleges do not have the same time restrictions and other requirements as schools offering four-year degrees. Interested parties may be able to register for classes at any time and not have to worry about being accepted or not.

- Part-time scheduling: Community colleges often offer part-time academic coursework, which means students do not have to take a set number of credits each semester to remain enrolled. This allows students to attend college classes according to their own schedules and work at their own pace.

- More affordable tuition: Lower tuition is one of the major draws to community colleges. The career planning resource Indeed says that many community colleges further discount their offerings to in-state students. This helps make post-secondary education much more affordable, particularly for those who are not sure about what they want to study.

- Relationships with four-year schools: A number of community colleges have partnerships with sister schools to facilitate the transfer of associate degree credits for a student working toward a four-year degree. Education USA says in this "2+2" process, a student can earn a bachelor's degree with two years of community college, followed by two years of university study. Some community colleges also serve as satellite locations for other schools, meaning one can take classes for a four-year school right on the community college campus if the location is more convenient.

- Smaller class sizes: Many community colleges have smaller class sizes that make it easier for students to adjust to the pace of college life.

- Proximity to home: As the name implies, community college is a school that serves a particular community. That means it is likely close to home for the majority of students. Students who may not be willing or able to go away to school may appreciate the convenience and proximity of a community college.

Community college is an option that students may want to explore as they pursue post-secondary education.

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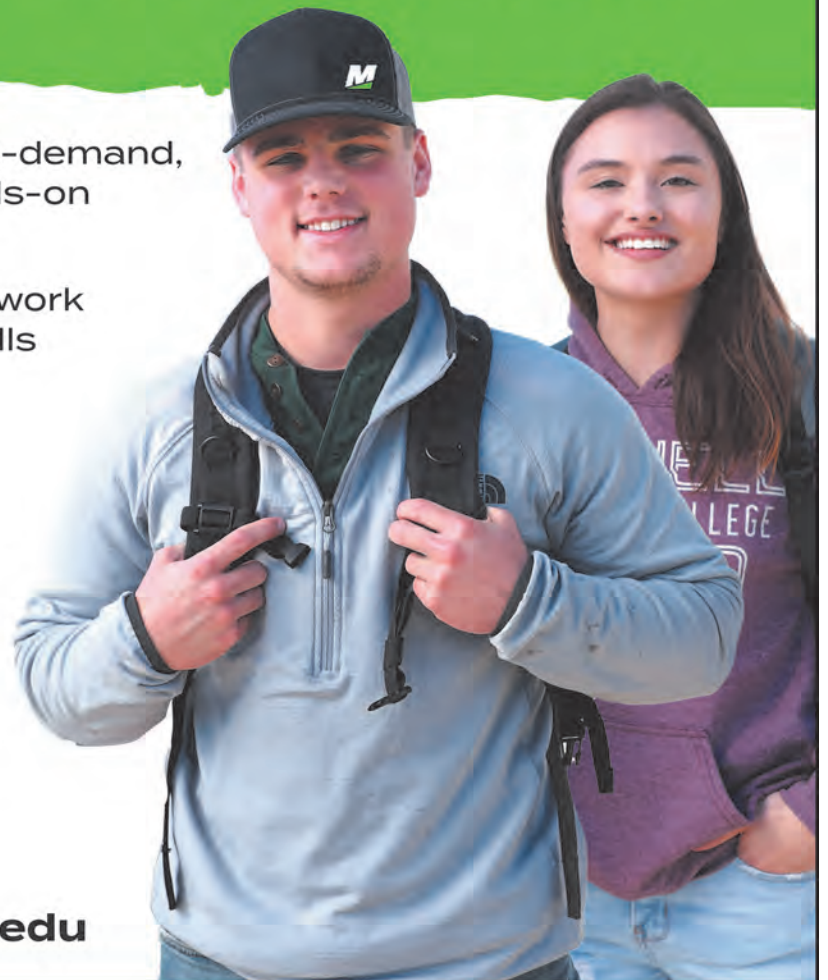
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Tips to help students choose a college major

Millions of students attend college after high school. The Education Data Initiative says there were 18,939,568 people enrolled in colleges in the United States in 2023.

At some point in their pursuit of post-secondary education, students will need to choose a major. Choosing a major can be challenging for students who have various interests and/or did well in multiple subjects in high school. The good news is that once a major is chosen, it isn't set in stone. Many students change their majors as they are exposed to different coursework in college. Here are a few ideas for choosing a major.

- Don't be pressured by family. Some students simply choose "the family business" route and select the same school and major as one or both of their parents. Make this a well-informed choice that considers various aspects and not just what Mom or Dad do for a living.
- Select a subject you enjoy. You do not want to be slugging through the next four or more years of school studying topics that bore you. Avoid potential burnout by choosing a major that interests you and offers a future.
- Research a related industry. Investigate which jobs have higher rates of openings and compare other factors like earning potential. While the goal is not simply to select the major that will lead to a job with the highest earning potential, you should consider majors that will lead to

Demand is rising for career and technical education

A four-year college degree is not necessarily the next step for students after they graduate from high school. The rising cost of college tuition has revitalized interest in career and technical education (CTE).

According to data from the National Student Clearinghouse, enrollment at community colleges rose 2.6 percent in 2023 compared with a year earlier, enhanced by a 16 percent surge at schools with a focus on CTE. Similarly, a survey by Edge Research commissioned by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation found on-the-job training seems to be more valuable to both high school students and non-enrolled graduates than a four-year degree, with 83 percent of the former stating it is excellent or good in value, compared to 80 percent for college. Favor for CTE schools is up 63 percent from the previous year.

The New England Association of Schools and Colleges says CTE has evolved from a traditional vocational school model to one that offers academics and skills for higher education and careers in skilled trades, technology and applied sciences. Demand for this type of education



continues to grow, with various state superintendents and directors of CTE programs indicating they can only accommodate a fraction of the applicants they get



jobs that are stable and offer growth potential. The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics is a good start for data. It currently lists wind turbine service technicians and nurse practitioners as the fastest-growing occupations.

- Determine how rigorous coursework will be. Some majors feature more rigorous coursework than others. If you know that marathon study sessions and lots of research or writing projects are going to lead to extensive stress, it is probably best to

consider another course of study. Indiana University Bloomington determined the most difficult majors based on the average time students spent per week preparing included architecture, chemical engineering and aeronautical engineering. Public relations, communications and criminal justice were among the less demanding majors, though it's important to note that excelling in any course of study requires hard work and commitment.

- Check in with your academic advisor. Academic advisors can guide you by offering career assessment quizzes and going over your grades. Such assessments may reveal skills that align well with certain fields of study.
- Delay the decision. If you truly do not know what you want to study, enroll in school undeclared. This will give you a chance to explore some general education "core" classes and feel out a school before making a larger commitment. Typically colleges will require a declaration of major by the end of sophomore year to allow enough time for completing that major's required courses.

When choosing a major, students should weigh various factors to find a course of study that suits their interests and career goals.



for CTE programs.

"Since 2004, Vermont has seen a decrease in its overall student population, however we have had an increase in CTE students in that same period," says Jay Ramsey, Vermont State Director for Career and Technical Education.

While a traditional four-year university might be the right path for some individuals, CTE has proven ideal for many others. New York City schools Chancellor David Banks has said it's a sentiment being shared across the nation, that there is another way and another track for students to be successful. CTE may help students get more excited about school and view themselves in careers they may not otherwise be exposed to.

The National Center for Education Statistics puts the average annual tuition for a four-year degree at a private institution in the United States at roughly \$35K (and public at approximately \$10K. Room and board costs also must be considered, and those can increase the overall cost by a significant amount. The average tuition for a trade school can be around \$17,600 a year, but rates vary based on the trade. Most of the CTE schools do not require students to reside on campus, which helps to save money.

Exploring the Career and Technical Education route can be highly satisfying and financially rewarding. Careers are diverse, and students can find a track that enables them to start training and working by investing less than they would if they were to attend a traditional college.

How to help students master college entrance exams

The college admissions process is multifaceted and stretches out over a year or more. High school students who plan to continue their education at four-year schools typically go through the admissions process at various schools before deciding where the next step on their academic journeys will take them.

Testing is part of the college admissions process. Parents and guardians who want to give young people the best chance of being admitted to their preferred school can help students prepare accordingly. In the United States, performance on the SAT and/or the ACT has traditionally been a key consideration for college admissions departments. The college information resource CollegeVine says standardized test scores are not required in the admissions process for public Canadian universities, although some private ones will accept SAT scores. According to the Princeton Review, the SAT is created and administered by the College Board. The test consists of Math and Evidence-based Reading and Writing. Each section is scored on a 200-to-800-point scale, (a score of 1600 indicates mastery of the exam). The ACT is a similar test that also helps measure college readiness. The ACT consists of four sections: English, Reading, Math, and Science. There’s also an optional 40-minute Writing Test that some colleges may require. The maximum composite score for the ACT is 36.

Most schools do not favor one test over the other, so it’s possible students will take just one exam. However, college-bound students are increasingly taking both the SAT and ACT and only submitting the higher score to schools. This is important for families and students to recognize. Generally, students can study concurrently for both tests, and the following are some additional strategies to prepare for college admissions testing.

• **Enroll in a test prep course.** Students may benefit from taking test prep courses either in sophomore year of high school or early in their junior year. These courses familiarize students with the testing format and enable them to take practice exams. They also offer tips for getting through the test within the allotted time. Knowing “how” to take the test is often just as important as knowing the material on the test.

• **Focus on vocabulary.** Families can work together to expand students’ vocabularies. Everyone can learn new words and use them on a daily basis.

• **Prioritize rest and a healthy lifestyle.** This can be a stressful time in students’ lives. Parents and other caregivers can recognize this and reinforce healthy living habits that will help teens get the rest they need to stay both physically and mentally well. Try not to put extra pressure on students during this critical time. Avoid emphasizing a need to get the best test scores possible, which can lead to additional stress, burnout and resentment.

• **Realize many schools are test-optional.** Students who simply are not excellent test-takers may take comfort in knowing that a growing number of schools have become test-optional. Families can determine if students want to be “one-and-done” on standardized testing, or take the test a few times to improve their scores.

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Study tips any student can employ

It would be convenient if every student had a photographic memory, making it a snap to recall pages of text or concepts in great detail. Photographic memory is not real, but a very small portion of the population, around 2 to 10 percent of children, has something called an eidetic memory, which is a similar phenomenon and one that's virtually nonexistent in adults, according to Psychology Today. That means that students will have to rely on other skills to get ahead in their coursework, perhaps none more important than effective study skills.

Some students recognize that their study habits simply are not cutting it and they're just squeaking by in their courses. What might get a student by in high school may be ineffective for college classes. Learning effective study skills early on is a key to academic success.

Don't cram

Many students procrastinate with their study sessions, leading to last-minute studying before a big test. According to the American Psychological Association, students may perform well on a test for which they have crammed, but that doesn't mean they've actually learned the material. Studying with the goal of long-term retention is best for learning.

Engage in active studying

Reading and re-reading texts or notes is not engaging with the material. Therefore, it likely won't help with information retention. The Learning Center at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill says a student will need to make connections with the material, which can include making a study guide, becoming the teacher and teaching the concepts to others, deriving examples from one's own experiences, or working problems out and explaining why they work.

Ask for help

Students do not have to struggle through difficult material alone. In addition to studying with fellow students, who may have different ways of interpreting and sharing the information, individuals can seek assistance from a tutor or an academic resource center inside of the school. Working with someone else also helps students stay accountable and remain on track.

Determine a study style

Students may need to employ some trial and error to identify the study methods that work best for them. This can include a combination of note-taking, summarization, reviewing what already is known about the topic, and individual or group study sessions. Environment also is an important study variable. Some students thrive in a quiet environment, while others need ambient noise to sharpen their focus.

Work intensely

Studying in intensive, short sessions may enable students to get more done with less wasted effort. Taking breaks can boost attention, says the National Institutes of Health.

Eliminate distractions

The more research that is done on multitasking, the more data indicates it isn't effective. Studying while browsing the web, texting or looking at social media will increase the amount of time needed to learn the material and decrease the quality of the study session, according to research published in Computers & Education in 2012.

Intelligent studying can help students make the most of their academic careers.

Tips to become

a better test taker

Tests are an integral component of the academic experience. Tests assess how well students have absorbed lessons in the classroom. A two-year study conducted by the Council of Great City Schools examined testing practices in 66 public, urban school districts across the country. Findings indicated students take about 112 standardized tests between pre-K and 12th grade. This number doesn't factor in the other tests that students take as part of the general curriculum. Testing varies based on school district and whether or not a school is public or private.

Taking tests can be a source of stress for students, particularly when they do not do as well as they would like. Pop quizzes, exams and standardized tests likely aren't going away anytime soon, but students can look to various methods to become better test takers. Mastering some test-prep skills also can relieve anxiety and reduce stress.

The following test-taking tips, courtesy of the University of Arkansas, Huntington Learning Center and Harvard Summer School, might help students perform better on their exams.

- **Develop good study habits.** The more effectively one studies, the greater the propensity to do well on a test. Students should review notes daily, write their own study guides, and take advantage of any practice tests the teacher offers.

- **Read all instructions carefully.** Some students know the subject matter but get confused because they do not read all the directions thoroughly. Students should read every word of every question and pay attention to details before attempting to answer.

- **Stop cramming.** Cramming for a test is not productive. One is less likely to retain the information, and cramming can increase stress and adversely affect a student's ability to sleep.

- **Begin practicing pacing.** Another area some students struggle with is running out of time on the test, or finishing too soon. Tests are timed, and that means that students need to work efficiently. Practice enables students to learn how long they spend on each question, and how they can cut down that time to finish in a more timely fashion.

- **Hire a tutor.** Some students can benefit from some extra assistance through a tutor. Professional tutors are skilled in conveying test-taking tips, like identifying which questions to guess on and how to narrow down multiple choice options.

- **Read over the entire test.** If possible, students should review the whole test before getting started. Doing so will help them understand the structure and identify areas that may require more or less time.

- **Write out formulas.** Particularly on math and science exams, using a scrap piece of paper to write out any memorized formulas or data at the start of the test can be helpful.

- **Don't agonize.** Students should move on from questions they don't know instead of getting locked on one question.

- **Go back and review.** Students who finish early can be encouraged to go back over the test and check their answers.

- **Learn from mistakes.** When the test is graded and returned, students should look over the questions they missed and compare them to the right answers. This will show whether mistakes were careless errors or reflective of a lack of knowledge of the material.

Mastering test-taking strategies can help students feel more confident and perform better on their exams.

The benefits of extracurriculars for college students

Assimilating into campus life at a college or university can take time. After all, much changes between high school and college. Residential students may find college is the first time they spend considerable time away from home among their peers.

College students have more responsibility than their counterparts in high school. College students must manage their schedules, get to class on time without help from Mom and Dad and speak with professors on their own behalf.

One way to mitigate some of the stress that comes with the increased responsibility of college is to take full advantage of campus life. This includes participating in extracurricular activities. High school students may participate in extracurriculars because they know they look good on college applications. But now that college is here, the benefits of extracurriculars may be slightly different.

- **Physical activity:** The Freshman 15 is no urban legend. The National Center for Biotechnology Information says that while most college students do not gain 15 pounds freshman year, a lot do gain some weight upon entering college. A 2008 study published in the Journal of American College Health found the average weight gain upon entering college was 2.7 pounds, with about half of students polled gaining weight. Extracurricular activities, like sports and additional physical pursuits, can help college students maintain a healthy weight even when consuming some not-so-healthy dining hall fare.

What parents can do to save more for college

Raising a child is no small task. Though it's no surprise that parenting requires a substantial investment of time and energy, the financial cost of raising a child might raise more than a few eyebrows. According to the SmartAsset™ 2024 Study, the median annual cost to raise a child in the United States in 2024 is \$22,850, and that figure is considerably higher in many states.

Commitment and discipline are vital to getting across the financial finish line when raising a child, and that includes finding a way to finance a college education. Data from the College Board, a nonprofit that studies trends in the cost of a college education, indicates the cost of tuition and fees varies widely depending on the type of institution. Tuition and fees at an in-state four-year public school cost a little more than \$11K during the 2023-24 school year, while it was nearly four times as much (\$41,540) at a private nonprofit four-year institution.

Financing a child's college education can seem like a daunting task. However, an array of strategies can help parents save more for college.

- **Take advantage of a 529 plan.** A 529 education savings plan is an increasingly popular way to save for college. The Education Savings Programs at Bank of America reports that 529 plan assets increased from \$88.5 billion in 2008 to more than \$446 billion in 2023. A 529 plan is a tax-advantaged investment program administered by a state. When funds withdrawn from the plan are used for qualified expenses, such as tuition costs, then the earnings are free from federal income tax obligations. There are

- **Avoid poor habits:** A 2023 study by the Afterschool Alliance found that students who participate in extracurricular activities at least two days a week are less likely to smoke marijuana and drink alcohol. These students also are less likely to miss class without a reason.
 - **Networking:** Students interact with their peers during curriculum-related clubs, musical performances or sports practices and games. Finding common ground and making new connections is a cornerstone of success in the professional world. Extracurriculars can help students develop networking skills that will be useful in the future.
 - **Improved mental health:** Getting involved can counter feelings of loneliness or boredom that many students feel, especially in their first year at school, says Psychology Today. Rather than feeling unsure and isolated, participation in extracurricular activities can give students reason to chat with new people beyond the rigors of class.
 - **Future connections:** Some extracurriculars can pay professional dividends. Academic and social Greek organizations have very strong alumni networks, which can help graduates secure interviews and job offers.
 - **Better grades:** There is evidence that managing multiple extracurriculars helps students academically. Cambridge International Education says juggling multiple commitments helps a student value time management, which carries over into school work.
 - **Self-esteem:** Participating in activities can boost confidence and self-esteem. Taking on leadership roles in extracurriculars can further a positive self-image as well.
- Extracurricular activities can offer a wide-ranging array of benefits for college students.



distinctions between 529 prepaid tuition programs and 529 savings programs, so parents are urged to discuss those differences with a financial advisor so they can choose the best plan for their situation.

- **Redirect extra income to a college savings plan.** Parents may have "extra" sources of income that can be used to fund college savings. Annual bonuses, money distributed through state-sponsored property tax relief programs and even money freed up when kids graduate from daycare and into elementary school can be redirected into college savings plans. Redirected daycare expenses may be particularly savvy, as parents know the cost of daycare is considerable. In fact, a recent report from Child Care Aware of America indicated the cost to place two children in child care exceeded annual typical mortgage payments in 45 states. Once kids are out of daycare, parents can redirect some or all the money they had been spending on child care into college savings plans.
- **Don't go it alone.** A 2023 survey from the College Savings Foundation found that 45 percent of parents would request that family and friends contribute to a child's 529 plan in lieu of the standard gifts given to children for their birthday, special events like graduation or during the holiday season. This practical yet less traditional approach can pad college savings plans by a considerable amount over the years, and close relatives might be more than happy to help parents fund a better education for their youngsters.

College is a costly investment, but parents can look to a handful of strategies to help defray tuition costs.

Master the college essay



Aspiring college students can expect to do a lot of writing as they travel down the path to college admissions. Many schools require applicants to submit an essay or personal statement.

Some schools may have an entire list of separate writing prompts that need to be answered. For example, Princeton University requires five supplemental pieces of writing: one of up to 500 words, one that is up to 250 words, and three short responses of up to 50 words, in addition to an essay that is a mandatory component of the standard application. Princeton also requires applicants submit a graded written paper.

It is never too early for high school students to begin thinking about the college essay experience and start formulating ideas about topics they would like to cover. A vast array of schools utilize the Common Application to receive student applications. The Common Application offers a full set of essay prompts (which remained unchanged for the 2023-2024 academic year) to spark thought. An example of one prompt was: "Reflect on a time when you questioned or challenged a belief or idea. What prompted your thinking? What was the outcome?" Students also have the option to share an essay of their choice.

Essay writing is important. The essay should be original and genuine, and applicants can use it to share their voice. Some additional essay-writing tips also can help students stand out.

- Choose a topic that is consistent with your authentic self. Select a topic that is consequential and shares much about who you are as a person.
- Avoid line after line that seems pulled out of a thesaurus. Rather, choose words you might use in general conversation.
- Write about something that is important to you that had a meaningful impact on your life.
- Making an admissions officer laugh is a rare feat, and it's generally best to avoid using one-liners or clichés when writing an admissions essay. However, those who feel that levity is needed and humor indicates who they are as a person can weave it in carefully.
- The essay is not a place to list your awards and accomplishments, particularly if they are mentioned elsewhere on the application.
- Write a strong opening that draws in the reader. Many admissions personnel are reading scores of essays per day. To ensure they get through yours, you'll need to command their attention.
- Answer the prompt accordingly. Avoid incorporating previously written pieces into what the essay prompt is asking. Start fresh on each prompt.
- Always proofread and edit, then do it again. Colleges want to see that you can write and that you have command of spelling and grammar.
- Make sure you stick to the recommended length.

Essay writing is something that high school students will do with greater frequency as they begin applying to college.



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WSC Class of 2026

Wildcat Freshmen, Fall 2022

Wayne State Keeps Costs Low While Improving Learning Environment

Wayne State College works hard each year ensure students have access to a high-quality, affordable education. During the past year, these efforts included freezing tuition and increasing financial aid benefits, renovating and expanding campus buildings, and securing partnerships and academic opportunities to provide excellent pathways to degrees.

Tuition Frozen, Tuition Guarantee Extended to Non-residents

For the second straight year, the Board of Trustees of the Nebraska State College System froze tuition at Chadron, Peru, and Wayne State College for the 2022-23 academic year. The tuition freeze applies to undergraduate and graduate; resident and non-resident students; and online rates.

Wayne State also expanded its Tuition Guarantee Program to include new freshmen and transfer students from outside Nebraska. The program recognizes the need for a quality, affordable education pathway for out-of-state students.

WSC Athletics Announces \$26.5M Expansion and Renovation Project

Wayne State College athletics plans to build a \$26.5-million athletic and recreation facility renovation project, which includes the addition of an air-supported indoor structure and major renovations to the Recreation Center, Rice Auditorium, and the Kirk Gardner Indoor Athletic Complex.

This will be a three-phase project beginning with the new indoor facility. Construction on the project is set to begin in spring of 2023 with a tentative completion date set of fall 2025. The project is intended to raise the recruiting and competitive profile of WSC’s NCAA Division II athletic programs.

WSC Completely Renovating Music and Theater Facility

Wayne State College began the renovation of the Peterson Fine Arts Building last fall. The project, which will be complete by spring 2023, includes new rehearsal spaces for the bands and choirs; improved acoustics in all practice rooms and teaching studios; upgrades to Ramsey Theatre to support larger acts and productions; better accessibility for performers and spectators with limited mobility; and ample student space for collaboration and conversation

Cooperative Education Expands into Grand Island, Ground Broken for Co-op Housing in Norfolk

This fall, the Career Scholars cooperative education model is expanding into Grand Island, as a pilot cohort of freshman students will begin their journey toward living and working in Grand Island in fall 2026. Like Norfolk, students will spend their first three years of study on campus, and their senior year in the community working with a co-op employer partner.

Students in the program receive up to \$24,000 in scholarships for housing and tuition, as they engage in campus, community and employer led activities. Grand Island leadership, employers, and Nebraska state legislators have been overwhelmingly supportive of the new initiative. Recently, the Nebraska Career Scholarship Act was passed into legislation, providing initial career scholarship funding to pilot a co-op program in Grand Island.

The College broke ground this past spring for the Norfolk Student Housing development for the Growing Together Career Scholars program in Norfolk. The housing units will support WSC’s career scholars, who will live in downtown Norfolk their senior year as they perform two semesters of cooperative education with a partner employer. The first Norfolk cohort will begin working in their cooperative education positions in fall 2023.

Learn more about Career Scholars at <https://www.wsc.edu/career-scholars>

WSC Strengthens Community College Partnerships

Wayne State signed new agreements with Northeast Community College (NECC) and Central Community College (CCC) that provide expanded educational opportunities for students and strengthen the region’s industrial technology workforce.

The new degree partnership allows graduates who complete their associate of applied science degrees at NECC and CCC to transfer all of their completed academic credits to Wayne State to earn a bachelor’s degree in technology. The agreement allows WSC to accept up to 80 credit hours for the 120-credit hour program.

Nursing Pathways Expanded

Wayne State and University of Nebraska Medical Center signed an affiliation agreement for an early admission pathway for WSC students who wish to pursue a Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) at the UNMC College of Nursing Northern Division in Norfolk. The Early Admission Pathway agreement will make the path to a BSN seamless for students enrolled in the pre-nursing undergraduate program at WSC and provide guaranteed early admission for qualified students.

Students complete the first two years of the BSN at WSC and then finish their nursing degree at UNMC’s Northern Division. The new BSN program includes joint advising, rigorous coursework, and co-curricular activities with UNMC faculty while at WSC.

Learn more about all of WSC’s nursing pathways at www.wsc.edu/nursing-programs.



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