Northland Pines School District



Academic & Career Planning PI-26

The Northland Pines community guarantees rigor, relevance and relationships to prepare all learners for life.

The Northland Pines School District provides assurance that no student is discriminated against on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, ancestry, creed, pregnancy, marital status, parental status, sexual orientation, sex, (including transgender status, change of sex or gender identity), or physical, mental, emotional, or learning disability ("Protected Classes") in any of its student program and activities.

Career and Technical Education Programs, courses, and activities are open to all students.

ACP Overview

All students in grades 4K-12 will participate in a variety of Academic and Career Planning activities provided by Northland Pines School District. Our district's mission is dedicated to empowering all individuals to reach their potential. Our Academic and Career Planning initiative, also known as ACP, directly relates to our district mission by providing information and opportunities for self awareness, career exploration and academic planning. Through our ACP initiative, all students will be prepared for any academic or career path they choose.

The state of Wisconsin emphasizes four key components to the Academic and Career Planning process as shown below. Beginning in the 2017-18 school year, the Northland Pines School district implemented the PI-26 plan for all students. Since that time staff have guided students in moving through the four stages using a variety of activities and lessons listed at the end of this document. Students in grades 6-12 will engage in career exploration lessons, as well as assessments of their interests, learning styles, and personalities, using Xello, an online platform tailored to assist students in academic and career planning.



NPSD ACP Goal

Upon graduation from Northland Pines School District all students will have created and presented their Academic and Career plan. This includes information they have gathered from their digital portfolio and their experiences at Northland Pines.

ACP Student Engagement

Elementary students begin to explore careers through various activities and lessons with their classroom teacher and school counselor. Our formal ACP process begins in 6th grade with specific ACP designated lessons. Starting in 7th grade and continuing throughout their 8th grade year, students will participate in ACP activities during their Computers class. During high school, students will work on monthly ACP lessons during Homeroom. Teachers also supplement these lessons during various classroom activities.

ACP & Xello portfolios are reviewed on a regular basis and are an integral part of the student's educational experience. ACP individual meetings are available to all students (7th-12th grade) throughout the school year with their respective school counselor and homeroom teacher. Counselors will also frequently meet with students during their ACP homerooms and Computers class to discuss ACP lessons, initiatives, and post-secondary plans.

The <u>College & Career Readiness document</u> was created during the 2022-2023 school year. This document guides high school students through benchmarks they can obtain during their high school career to be college, career, and/or life ready. Graduates of Northland Pines will be College & Career Ready by meeting the minimum number of indicators depending on the avenue of choice.

The ACP program at Northland Pines ensures every student is prepared for life after high school no matter what path they plan to take. This includes:

- Career and Technical Education Courses
 - Business Education, Computer Technology, Family and Consumer Sciences, Technology and Engineering Education
- Academic Courses
 - 28 credits required for graduation
 - Wisconsin State Civics exam
 - Service to Community
 - Pines Senior Capstone
- Accelerated Programs of Study
 - Honors Classes
 - Contracted classes with Nicolet College: Firefighter I with Hazardous Material Operations and Certified Nursing Assistant

- College Credit Programs
 - Advanced Placement, Start College Now, Early College Credit Program, Cooperative Academic Partnership Program, Project Lead the Way
 - Rising Phoenix Program-University of Wisconsin-Green Bay
- Career and Work Based Learning Experiences
 - School-to-Work
 - Job Shadowing
 - Teacher's Assistant
 - Youth Apprenticeship
- Industry Recognized Credential Options
 - OSHA10
 - Career Connections Skill Level 3-Carpenters International Training Fund
 - ProStart
- Career and Technical Student Organizations
 - SkillsUSA
 - Health Occupations Students of America (HOSA)

Staff Engagement

The Northland Pines Middle/High School has a College & Career Readiness Team. This team creates, reviews, and analyzes ACP activities, lessons, and capstone presentations for the school as well as recruiting, fostering and maintaining relationships with community stakeholders and parents. The team is comprised of staff members in multiple different departments (see below) and meets monthly to discuss NPMS/HS current ACP practices, future ACP goals, and initiatives.

Northland Pines Middle/High School College & Career Readiness Team

- Jim Beyer, MS/HS Social Studies Teacher; Parent
- Josh Fuller, MS/HS Technology Education
- Alyssa Hecke, MS/HS English Teacher
- Jacob Husing, HS Math Teacher, Instructional Coach
- Adam Matyska, MS/HS Computers, STW, CTE
- Jake Richards, MS/HS Business Ed
- Sade Seeger, 7th-12th Grade School Counselor; Parent
- Brandon Smith, HS Special Education Teacher

- Amanda Tibble, 7th-12th Grade School Counselor
- Ryan Tienhaara, MS/HS Assistant Principal
- Todd Wilfer, MS Science Teacher

Northland Pines School District ACP Leadership Team

- Dr. Daniel Marien, Principal
- Adam Matyska, MS/HS Computers, STW, CTE
- Sade Seeger, 7th-12th Grade School Counselor
- Heidi Tameling, Student Services Administrative Assistant
- Amanda Tibble, 7th-12th Grade School Counselor

The NPSD ACP Leadership Team oversees ACP district initiatives, Xello management, PI26 updates, ACP lesson planning and scheduling for grades 6 through 12, organizes and conducts capstone presentations, participates in regular ACP trainings & workshops, and submits CTE data and statistics as required to CESA and DPI.

Professional Development

All K-12 teachers and school counselors will participate in ongoing discussions throughout the school year focusing on ACP initiatives and updates with Xello. Professional development is provided to 6th-12th grade teaching staff at the start of each school year. This professional development will focus on ACP initiatives, scope and sequence, timeline, ACP activities, and Xello lessons available to all students. This professional development will also include extra training for new staff.

All teaching staff work directly with Special Education and ESL staff on a regular basis to create goals and assess progress for students with disabilities and language barriers, or other needs. Special Education staff are included in our ACP committee and relay information back to other Special Education staff. Students with disabilities will work with their case manager to develop their online portfolio in Xello as well as develop a transition plan for the future.

Our Academic and Career Planning Initiative is reviewed annually by our College & Career Readiness committee, ACP Leadership Team, and NPSD Board of Education. The ACP plan is posted to the school website for public viewing. Throughout the year, the ACP committee encourages feedback from students, teachers, parents and community members to continually enhance the services we provide to our students. The team will review strengths and areas of improvement at the end of each academic year and make changes as necessary. The ACP Leadership Team will present to the Board of Education, at least one time a year, with our updated PI26/E4E plan.

Labor Market Information

The Northland Pines School district covers the counties of Vilas and Oneida, giving students a variety of opportunities and locations to contribute to the workforce. The top industries for counties are Leisure & Hospitality, Trade, Transportation & Utilities, and Education & Health Services. These career sectors represent 74% of jobs in Oneida County and 93% of jobs in Vilas County. These numbers are projected to remain the same or rise slightly through the 2020s. This is similar to trends in the job industry as Wisconsin's three leading job sectors include Healthcare & Social Assistance, Retail Trade and Manufacturing. For more Wisconsin job information please refer to the links below:

<u>Department of Workforce Development</u> <u>Vilas County 2023 Workforce Profile</u>

The Northland Pines School District will continually analyze the job market projections and use that information to ensure that we are offering the most appropriate education opportunities to prepare our students for their post-secondary plans.

<u>Career Pathways</u>

The Wisconsin Regional and Local Career Pathways approach is an effort to deliver high-quality career pathways in high schools that reflect the needs and vision of a regional collaborative group of employers, education, and economic and workforce development.

The regional collaboratives adopt, implement, promote, and monitor high school career pathways in high-skill, in-demand industry sectors. They act as an advisory group, on behalf of regional districts, to identify and overcome barriers that prevent students in the region from accessing the pathway.

<u>Regional Pathways</u>:

- Architecture & Construction
- Education & Training
- Finance
- Information Technology
- Manufacturing

Local Pathways:

- STEM
- Hospitality & Tourism
- Transportation, Distribution & Logistics
- Marketing
- Business Administration

Family/Community Engagement

Information regarding ACP activities and lessons are communicated with families throughout each student's educational career. Consistent communication is maintained through email, phone calls, Parent/Teacher conferences, open houses, newsletters, social media, and the school website. Parents are invited to attend the Pines 8th Grade Capstone presentations and the Pines Senior Capstone presentations.

Community stakeholders are invited to join our CTE Advisory Committee meetings and specific ACP events. Furthermore, we continue to partner with local businesses to provide work-based learning opportunities such as Youth Apprenticeships, Job Shadowing, and Teaching Assistants. These activities not only meet our ACP goals, but enrich our community and create lasting relationships for our students.

Every two years the Northland Pines High School participates in the Comprehensive Local Needs Assessment that is administered by the Department of Public Instruction (DPI). This assessment is shared with high school students, staff, and parents. The needs assessment collects valuable information from various stakeholders regarding our current Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs and participants. The data collected from the assessments help drive and fund our CTE programs through the Carl Perkins grant.

Grade Level Objectives

Grade Level	Xello Activities- ALL STUDENTS	Additional Activities - ALL STUDENTS	<u>Additional Activities</u> - Optional, but available to all students
4K-5th		 SEL Lessons Career Lessons Public Safety Demonstrations 	 All American Kids Club Reading Heroes Science Club (STEM) Recycling Club
6th	 Interests, Time Management, Decision Making, School Subjects at Work Learning Style, Personality Style, Matchmaker, Career Clusters 	 Vilas Co. Youth Coalition Log a Load SEL Lessons Scheduling Meetings 	 Eagle Camp Eagle Explorations 6th grade Ambassadors
7th	 Goal Setting, Self-Advocacy, Volunteering/Experiences, Biases & Career Choices, Learning Pathways, Learning Styles Matchmaker, Saved Careers, Career Clusters, Personality Style 	 Scheduling Meetings Responsive Advisory Meetings Mini-Business World Service to Community Ready to Learn Lessons ACP Lessons 	 Eagle Explorations Junior AMMP Student Council Clubs & Organizations
8th	 Goal Setting, Career Matches, Volunteering/Experiences, Skills, Jobs & Employers, Regional Career Pathways, Transition to High School 8th Grade ACP Capstone Project Matchmaker, Saved Careers, Career Clusters, Personality Style, Saved Schools 	 Scheduling Meetings Service to Community Job Fair Responsive Advisory Meetings Ready to Learn Lessons Mini-Business World Heavy Metal Tour ACP Lessons 	 Student Council Eagle Explorations Clubs & Organizations Junior AMMP
9th	 Study Skills & Habits, Volunteering/Experiences, Personality Styles, Getting Experience, Exploring Career Factors, Work Values, Workplace Skills & Attitudes Matchmaker, Saved Careers, Career Clusters, Course Planner, Saved Schools, Postsecondary Plans 	 Scheduling Meetings 4 Year Plans PreACT Secure Testing ACT Day College Campus Tours-Nicolet College & UWSP Job Fair Service to Community ACP Lessons College and Career Readiness Indicators 	 Student Council Clubs & Organizations Dual Enrollment Courses Military Lunch & Learn Nicolet Competition Day CTSO (HOSA, SkillsUSA) Industry Certifications
10th	Defining Success, Careers and Lifestyle Costs, Volunteering/Experiences, Work/Life Balance, Program	 Scheduling Meetings 4 Year Plans PreACT Secure Testing Mad Money-Financial Literacy 	 Student Council Clubs & Organizations Dual Enrollment Courses Military Lunch & Learn

	 Prospects, Career Demand, Graduation Requirements Check Matchmaker, Saved Careers, Career Clusters,Course Planner, Saved Schools, Postsecondary Plans 	activity Job Fair Service to Community Financial Literacy Class (Personal Finance OR Economics) ACP Lessons <u>College and Career Readiness</u> <u>Indicators</u>	 Nicolet Competition Day CTSO (HOSA, Skills USA) Industry Certifications
11th	 Career Backup Plans, Career Path Choices, Volunteering/Experiences, Choosing a College, Entrepreneurial Skills, Job Interviews, Transcript Request Matchmaker, Saved Careers, Career Clusters, Course Planner, Saved Schools, Postsecondary Plans 	 Scheduling Meetings 4 Year Plans ACT Testing College Visits Job Fair Service to Community Financial Literacy Class (Personal Finance OR Economics) ACT Prep Sessions ACP Lessons College and Career Readiness Indicators 	 Student Council Clubs & Organizations Dual Enrollment Courses Military Lunch & Learn Nicolet Competition Day CTSO (HOSA, Skills USA) School to Work (YA, JS, TA) Industry Certifications
12th	 Matchmaker, Learning Styles, Resume Builder, Transcript Request, Scholarships Matchmaker, Saved Careers, Career Clusters,Course Planner, Saved Schools, Postsecondary Plans Pines Senior Capstone Presentation 	 4 Year Plans Senior Exit Survey Job Fair College Visits Service to Community Financial Literacy Class (Personal Finance OR Economics) ACP Lessons College and Career Readiness Indicators 	 Student Council Clubs & Organizations Dual Enrollment Courses Military Lunch & Learn Nicolet Competition Day CTSO (HOSA, Skills USA) School to Work (YA, JS, TA) Industry Certifications
Post Grad			 Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Services

PI-26 Plan approved by NPSD School Board on: