

Early College Assurance Form

All students participating in the Northern Vermont University Early College Program must work closely with their guidance counselors to assure that all high school graduation requirements are being met by the coursework they are taking at NVU. High school students will take responsibility for the following:

Curriculum Assurance

- 1) Students will work with guidance counselors from their sending high school to assure that the NVU courses they are enrolled in complete their high school graduation requirements.
- 2) Students must participate in one session of summer orientation before they enroll at Northern Vermont University.
- 3) Early College students are required to take a minimum of 12 credits per semester (full-time status).
- 4) Early College is a full year commitment — an Early College student whose high school requirements are complete after the fall semester cannot opt out of taking classes for the spring semester.

Financial Assurance

- 1) Students and families agree to pay any additional costs associated with attending college, such as course fees, student support services fees, orientation fees, room and board, text books, and any other costs not covered by the Vermont Agency of Education tuition voucher. All fees must be paid according to the University fee schedule/due dates.

Behavior and Assessment Assurance

- 1) Students are held to the same rights and responsibilities as all other students as listed in the NVU Student Handbook. Failure to abide by these rights and responsibilities may result in a student's eligibility in the Early College Program to be terminated.
- 2) If an Early College student fails a class in the fall semester, their eligibility to remain in the program for the spring semester will be reviewed. If an Early College student fails a class, s/he may have to return to their high school for the remainder of their senior year.
- 3) If the Early College student is dismissed from NVU on academic or behavioral grounds, the sending high school will take responsibility for all further academic instruction that year.

Advising Assurance

- 1) Participants acknowledge that NVU will try to meet the scheduling needs of all Early College students. However, there are times when accommodations cannot be made.
- 2) Early College students acknowledge that it is the recommendation of the NVU Advising staff that Early College students should not take online or upper-level courses.

Students must have permission from his/her high school principal, guidance counselor, and a parent/guardian to participate in the Northern Vermont University Early College program. Students enrolled in a Home School Program must have permission from a parent or legal guardian.

By signing below, I am granting permission for _____ to enroll in the Northern Vermont University Early College program. I have reviewed and am in agreement with the assurances listed.

In the space below, please list all of the remaining courses and associated credits you will need to graduate from your high school.

High school course needed to graduate:

- 1) _____ cr: _____ 1) _____ cr: _____
- 2) _____ cr: _____ 2) _____ cr: _____
- 3) _____ cr: _____ 3) _____ cr: _____
- 4) _____ cr: _____ 4) _____ cr: _____
- 5) _____ cr: _____ 5) _____ cr: _____

Graduation Assurance

1. High schools will ensure that students will meet high school graduation requirements with the courses in which they are enrolled at Northern Vermont University.
2. If the Early College student is dismissed from NVU on academic or behavioral grounds, NVU will notify the high school counselor immediately. The sending high school will take responsibility for all further academic instruction that year.

Student signature

Sending high school

Parent/Guardian signature

Principal signature

Date

Guidance counselor signature

Date