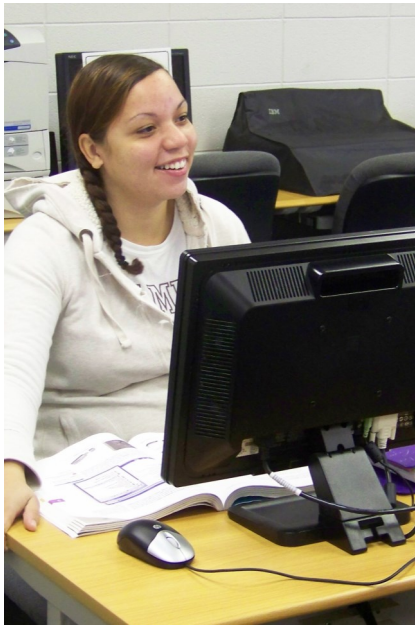




High School Equivalency Diploma Financial Assistance



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High School Equivalency Diploma (HSED) options at Northwest Iowa Community College



Northwest Iowa Community College offers testing for people who did not complete his or her high school diploma. Currently, NCC is offering the HiSET test (High School Equivalency Test) as an option to achieve your high school equivalency diploma. HiSET is currently being used throughout the state of Iowa and many other states in the United States. It is comparable to the GED and other high school equivalency tests. To learn more about the HiSET, please contact Sarah Breems-Diekevers at sbreems-diekevers@nwicc.edu or at 800-352-4907 ext. 137. Classes and testing is held at various times during the academic year.

Payment for the HiSET test

The HiSET test currently costs \$60 to complete. However we do not want to let funding prohibit any person from achieving his or her goal. If payment of the HiSET is a barrier to your ability to take the test, please consider applying for the George and Cleo Klein Fund.

George & Cleo Klein Fund

The George & Cleo Klein Fund was developed by George and his wife Cleo after George successfully completed his GED at the age of 74. The Kleins would like to assist others in their High School Equivalency Diploma pursuits. To be considered a candidate for the George & Cleo Klein Fund, applicants must be financially restricted to access the HiSET test series and they must articulate their need in a one paragraph essay. Assistance for the essay can be obtained through the NCC Learning Center. If the candidate is chosen as a recipient, all their testing fees will be covered. The Klein's hope that the recipients of this fund will consider "paying it forward" after they achieve their diploma, and encourage all recipients to do other good deeds upon graduating.



Options for funding additional education upon completion of the High School Equivalency Diploma

Northwest Iowa Community College encourages students to continue learning after completing their HSED. If you have aspirations to continue your education in the form of a diploma or an Associates degree, state and federal financial aid assistance is available for students at NCC. Eligibility for these programs is contingent on a **FAFSA (Free Application For Federal Student Aid)** being submitted and verifying financial need. Furthermore, NCC offers a multitude of scholarships for students. To see a list of available scholarships, please visit www.nwicc.edu and search for “scholarships”. One scholarship that should be considered upon completion of your HSED is the **Trustee’s Scholarship**. The Trustee’s Scholarship is awarded annually, and could give up to \$500 (\$250/semester) of assistance to current NCC students. Proceeds must be used within 24 months of the initial enrollment date. To be eligible for this scholarship, you must successfully pass the HiSET (or a comparable HSED test) within the past 3 years, reside in the community college district, begin classes in the fall or spring semesters, and maintain a 2.25 GPA. This scholarship will automatically be awarded to you after the NCC Admissions Office receives notice of your passing score.

Northwest Iowa Community College’s Mission Statement

Northwest Iowa Community College is a progressive learning college rapidly responding to the changing needs of our global community.

Northwest Iowa Community College Foundation Mission Statement

The mission of the Northwest Iowa Community College Foundation is to attract and manage financial resources, enhance awareness of the College, and to support access to lifelong learning opportunities.



For more information on the George & Cleo Klein Fund or the Trustees Scholarship, contact Kristi Landis 712-324-5061 ext. 164 or 800-352-4907 ext. 164 klandis@nwicc.edu