



Northwest Tri-County Intermediate Unit 5

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Dear Student:

The Regional Choice Initiative (RCI) is pleased to offer a nineteenth year of Dual Enrollment programming for eligible high school juniors and seniors. Local superintendents through collaboration with local universities and the Northwest Tri-County Intermediate Unit (IU5) developed RCI. This program offers an introduction to the college experience for students prior to graduation from high school.

Your guidance counselor feels you have the qualifications to be a successful RCI student. College professors who teach these classes use the same syllabus, textbook, and content you would have as an on campus freshman. Grades and credits for the courses are available on college transcripts. Tuition costs for families have been negotiated at a significantly reduced rate of \$300 per 3-credit course. Our goal is to help you on your way to a successful transition to post-secondary study.

In addition to the cost savings, it prepares students for the college experience and allows them to start their college path with credits that will allow them to schedule earlier than other freshman. Some students earn enough credits to classify as a second semester freshman or as a sophomore.

Dual Enrollment courses take place at the Skills Center located next to the Erie County Technical School. Contact your school district high school guidance office regarding transportation arrangements.

Enclosed please find a flyer, application, and initial course offerings for the 2022-23 school year. We are encouraging the use of our on-line application (fewer errors) which is located at www.iu5.org. Instructions are in the packet.

Interested students can obtain additional information from their high school guidance counselor. Applications should be turned in to your guidance counselor as soon as possible to avoid being placed on a waiting list. You may email me at RCI@iu5.org or call me at (814) 734-8381 with any questions about the program.

Sincerely,

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