

Introduced by

Education Committee

(At the request of the Superintendent of Public Instruction)

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 15.1-21-02.5 of the North Dakota Century  
2 Code, relating to eligibility for a North Dakota academic scholarship.

3 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 15.1-21-02.5 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
5 amended and reenacted as follows:

6 **15.1-21-02.5. North Dakota academic scholarship.**

7 Any resident student who graduates from a high school during or after the 2010-11 school  
8 year and any resident student who completes a program of home education supervised in  
9 accordance with chapter 15.1-23 during or after the 2012-13 school year is eligible to receive a  
10 North Dakota academic scholarship provided the student:

- 11 1. Completed four units of English language arts from a sequence that includes literature,  
12 composition, and speech;
- 13 2. Completed three units of mathematics, including:
  - 14 a. One unit of algebra II, as defined by the superintendent of public instruction; and
  - 15 b. One unit of mathematics for which algebra II, as defined by the superintendent of  
16 public instruction, is a prerequisite;
- 17 3. Completed three units of science, including:
  - 18 a. One unit of physical science;
  - 19 b. One unit of biology; and
  - 20 c. (1) One unit of any other science; or  
21 (2) Two one-half units of any other science;
- 22 4. Completed three units of social studies, including:
  - 23 a. One unit of United States history;

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- 1           b. (1) One-half unit of United States government and one-half unit of economics;
- 2                     or
- 3           (2) One unit of problems of democracy; and
- 4           c. One unit or two one-half units of any other social studies, which may include
- 5           civics, civilization, geography and history, multicultural studies, North Dakota
- 6           studies, psychology, sociology, and world history;
- 7        5. a. Completed one unit of physical education; or
- 8           b. One-half unit of physical education and one-half unit of health;
- 9        6. a. Completed two units of:
- 10           (1) The same foreign language;
- 11           (2) The same native American language;
- 12           (3) American sign language; or
- 13           (4) Career and technical education from a coordinated plan of study
- 14           recommended by the department of career and technical education and
- 15           approved by the superintendent of public instruction; and
- 16           b. One unit selected from:
- 17           (1) Foreign languages;
- 18           (2) Native American languages;
- 19           (3) American sign language;
- 20           (4) Fine arts; or
- 21           (5) Career and technical education;
- 22        7. Completed any five additional units;
- 23        8. a. (1) Obtained a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 grading
- 24           scale, as determined by the superintendent of public instruction, based on
- 25           all high school units in which the student was enrolled; and
- 26           (2) Obtained a grade of at least "C" in each unit or one-half unit; or
- 27           b. (1) Obtained a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 grading
- 28           scale, as determined by the superintendent of public instruction, based only
- 29           on the units required by subsections 1 through 7; and
- 30           (2) Obtained a grade of at least "C" in each unit or one-half unit;
- 31        9. Received a composite score of at least twenty-four on an ACT; and

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- 1        10.    a.    Fulfilled any one unit requirement set forth in subsections 1 through 7 by means  
2                    of an advanced placement course and examination;
- 3                    b.    Fulfilled any one unit requirement set forth in subsections 1 though 7 by  
4                    completion, through an early entrance program, of a postsecondary course  
5                    offered for credit at an accredited institution of higher education in this state; or
- 6                    ~~b.c.~~ Fulfilled any one-half unit requirement set forth in subsections 1 through 7 by  
7                    means of a dual-credit course.