

Gateway to Graduation



YOUR KEYS TO SUCCESS

Opening doors to:

Your future,

College,

Career,

& Opportunities



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GateWay To Graduation Program 2020 – 2021

The GateWay Program is an alternative education program designed for students who have lost credit for the academic school year and/or due to other responsibilities cannot attend school during the regular school day. The GateWay Program offers students an opportunity to attend classes so they can earn the credits needed to progress to the next grade and to graduate on time.

The GateWay Program offers the following courses: English, Mathematics, Social Studies, Science, and Physical Education/Health and Career Technical Education classes. Each core course offering follows the curriculum which has been approved by the Duplin County of Education and is aligned with the Core Curriculum Content Standards. Additionally, Bilingual/ESL and Special Education services are offered on an “as need basis.”

The primary goal of the GateWay Program is to provide an academic environment which assists students with their successful return to high school or to graduate by:

1. Providing educationally effective personalized classroom environments that support student achievement.
2. Providing with an academic program.
3. Integrating school services to strengthen students’ ties to the school community and to support them in completing the secondary program.
4. Providing services to ensure a safe learning environment for all students and staff.
5. Providing academic services which facilitate the students’ ability to complete graduation requirements.
6. Integrating school services to strengthen students’ commitment to improving daily attendance.
7. Integrating career and college readiness throughout the day

The Gateway to Graduation Centers (GTGC) is Duplin County Schools answer to addressing the unique challenges faced by students who are not successful in traditional high schools setting, where many (GTGC) students are on the verge of dropping out or have dropped out already. The GTGC allows students to make up credits and graduate on time through the use of self-paced, virtual, and online curriculum. Students also can take advantage of the GTGC's offering of job shadowing, internships and dual-enrollment at a college or university.

The idea behind the GTGC is simple: combine an intense academic program with a strong personal support system. GTGC has an instructional facilitator, service aid, and a guidance counselor who helps students meet their academic and nonacademic needs, whether they are personal, family, school or community-related. This one-on-one relationship gives students the support and encouragement they need to focus on school, knowing their social/personal needs are met. This guarantees that they are well equipped with the skills necessary to succeed in college or a career after high school.

GTGC and believes that all students need and deserve these five resources in order to succeed in school and in life.

- A one on one relationship with a caring adult
- A safe place to learn and grow
- A healthy start for a healthy future
- A marketable skill to use upon graduation
- A chance to give back to peers and community

The mission of GTGC (a Performance Learning Center) is to empower students to achieve and maintain future success through non-traditional educational methods and community support.

GTGC is a non-traditional - NOT ALTERNATIVE – high school program that is designed for students who are not succeeding in the traditional high school setting. The center works in collaboration with the 5 high schools in Duplin County. We connect with other sources and resources throughout the state in order the address the unique needs of our students.

Through Duplin County Schools, students are provided with internships, dual college enrollment, and technical/Leadership training. Students are challenged to develop marketable skills in preparation for college and/or the workplace.

Gateway To Graduation Center serves students in grades 9-12 and is designed for students who are at risk of dropping or who have already dropped out. It is designed for students who may have fallen behind in their credits, have difficulty dealing with social issues, or are just not successful in their current school. It is not a place for those who are not willing to learn; instead, it is for students that are highly motivated and have the desire to succeed.

Services provided are: Self-paced computer curriculum, projects, service learning and internships and North Carolina Virtual Public Schools (NCVPS)

Project based learning

Student responsible for learning and adhering to each subject's pacing guide

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GateWay to Graduation Program 2020 – 2021 Registration Form

PLEASE PRINT ALL STUDENT INFORMATION

Date _____ Student ID _____

Student

_____ Last First

Parent/Guardian

_____ Last First

Address _____
Street Zip Code

Home Telephone Number

Work Telephone Number

Emergency Contact and Telephone Number

Name	Number
IEP Yes/ <u>No</u> (circle one)	504 Yes/No (circle one)
ESL <u>Yes/ No</u> (circle one)	

Student's Date of Birth: _____

Entering from: _____

Parent/Guardian's Signature: _____

Case Manager's Signature: _____

Authorized Admittance By: _____

Actual Date Student Entered: _____

**** RETURN TO YOUR GUIDANCE COUNSELOR****

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Parent /
Guardian

GATEWAY TO GRADUATION REFERRAL FORM

Student's Name: _____ School: _____ ID #: _____

Grade Level: (current year) _____ (last year) _____ School Attended Last Year: _____ Sex: Male Female

Birth date: _____ Race: Caucasian African-American Asian/Pacific Islander Hispanic Multiracial

Referring Person: _____

Reason for Referral: _____

Does this student have an IEP or 504-Plan? No Yes Area of disability: _____

Has this student ever had an IEP or 504-Plan? No Yes Area of disability: _____

Has this student repeated any grades? No Yes
Repeated grade(s): _____

Student Lives with: (check one)

<input type="checkbox"/> 01—Mother & Father	<input type="checkbox"/> 02—Mother & Stepfather	<input type="checkbox"/> 03—Mother Only
<input type="checkbox"/> 04—Father & Stepmother	<input type="checkbox"/> 05—Father Only	<input type="checkbox"/> 06—Guardian
<input type="checkbox"/> 07—Grandparent(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> 08—Foster Home	<input type="checkbox"/> 09—Group Home
<input type="checkbox"/> 10—Student has own residence	<input type="checkbox"/> 11—Other (specify) _____	

Parent/Guardian: _____

Physical Address: _____

Mailing Address (if different from above): _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____ Other Phone: _____

Reason for Referral:

Primary reason code: _____ Secondary reason code: _____
01—Academic 02—Discipline Violations 03—Attendance/Truancy 04—Pregnancy 05—Other

The following information should be attached to this form:

- Discipline History
- Attendance Summary
- Transcript

Reviewed by: (School EC Program Compliance Specialist should review and also sign for students with an IEP.)

Counselor: _____ Date: _____ ECPCS: _____ Date: _____

Approved Not Approved: Reason
Reason (May attach documents): _____

Principal: _____ Date: _____

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GateWay to Graduation Program 2020 – 2021

Date: _____

Dear Parent/Guardian of: _____,

This is to inform you that your son/daughter _____ is being recommended for the GateWay Program located in Warsaw, NC.

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All the rules and policies of the regular school program apply to the GateWay Program. The program follows the regular Duplin County Public School District 2016 – 2017 School Calendar. **STUDENTS IN THE GATEWAY PROGRAM WILL ATTEND SCHOOL MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY, Flex Hours 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. FOR THE 4 CORE COURSES (LANGUAGE ARTS, SOCIAL STUDIES, SCIENCE, MATH and CTE classes).** They are expected to attend classes every day, be on time and to exercise appropriate behavior. All students will follow the Disciplinary Code of Conduct established by the School and the District. **Attendance is taken daily and parents will be notified if and when the student is absent.**

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STUDENT CONTRACT

I, _____, understand that my main reason for attending the GateWay Program is to obtain a quality education to complete high school graduation requirements. This program affords me the opportunity to obtain high school credits towards graduation and/or return to a day high school program.

I understand that I must adhere to the established Code of Conduct and all the rules and regulations of the school district as outlined in the Duplin County School District's Student Handbook. These rules include "zero tolerance" for tardiness and **an attendance policy** that is not to exceed three absences.

I fully understand that I must always display appropriate behavior, respect myself, my peers, my teachers and administrators and all members of the GateWay Program.

I will abide by all the stated rules above: _____
Student's Signature Date

I will abide in agreement with this contract: _____
Parent's Signature Date

Program Coordinator's Signature Date

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