Admissions Testing (available at all NTC campus locations): All students applying for a program at NTC are required to take the Accuplacer test for admissions, unless otherwise indicated.

- **Accuplacer**: The Accuplacer test measures a student’s academic skill level in the areas of arithmetic, algebra, reading comprehension and sentence skills. The results of the Accuplacer are used by staff to determine course/program selection. The Accuplacer is not a “pass” “fail” test, but it is very important for someone to do their best on these tests, so that they have an accurate measure of their academic skills.
  
  For more information about the Accuplacer test go to: [http://www.collegeboard.com/student/testing/accuplacer/](http://www.collegeboard.com/student/testing/accuplacer/)

- **Windows and Windows Concepts**: These tests measure basic windows and computer skills

After submitting an application to NTC, please contact the admissions office to schedule the appropriate admissions tests.

Apprenticeship Testing (only available at the Wausau Campus): Students applying to an apprenticeship program are required to take a battery of tests that include the MPFB and the BMCT along with some sections of the Accuplacer.

- **Minnesota Paper Form Board**: The MPFB is designed to measure aspects of the mechanical ability requiring the capacity to visualize and manipulate objects in space.
- **Bennett Mechanical Comprehension Test**: The BMCT is designed to measure the ability to perceive and understand the relationship of physical forces and mechanical elements in practical situations.
- **Accuplacer**: The Accuplacer test measures a student’s academic skill level in the areas of arithmetic, algebra, reading comprehension and sentence skills. The results of the Accuplacer are used by staff to determine course/program selection. The Accuplacer is not a “pass” “fail” test, but it is very important for someone to do their best on these tests, so that they have an accurate measure of their academic skills.

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Microsoft Certified Application Specialist Testing (MCAS) (only available at the Wausau Campus):

- Microsoft certification (based on globally recognized standards) demonstrates computing skills and help advance career prospects in a competitive job market. The MCAS certifications are primarily for office workers who use Microsoft Office programs as a vital part of their job functions.

  For more information about Microsoft Office Certification exams go to: [http://www.certiport.com](http://www.certiport.com)
Pearson VUE Test Center (only available at the Wausau Campus):
- Pearson VUE is an electronic testing service that implements electronic testing solutions that enhance the performance, reliability and security of professional licensing and certification programs throughout the world.
For more information about Pearson VUE Testing go to: http://www.pearsonvue.com/

GED/HSED Testing (available at all NTC campus locations)
- This battery of tests is offered to eligible individuals who have not completed high school and who wish to obtain a certificate of General Education Development (GED) or High School Equivalency Diploma (HSED). The GED consists of a battery of five tests: writing skills, social studies, science, reading and arithmetic. The most common way to receive an HSED is to take the five GED tests and complete additional requirements in health, civics, and employability skills. Individuals who are over 18 1/2 years of age or whose high school class has graduated are eligible if they have not earned GED scores sufficient to qualify for a high school equivalency diploma. Other requirements and/or exceptions may apply.
To prepare for GED/HSED tests and/or take a predictor exams, contact any of NTC’s campuses and ask for the Learning Center.
For more information about the GED/HSED go to: http://dpi.wi.gov/ged_hsed/gedhsed.html

CLEP (College Level Examination Program) (only available at the Wausau Campus):
- CLEP tests allow students the opportunity to receive college credit for what they already know by earning qualifying scores on any one or more of the 35 examinations. Each institution sets its own CLEP policy regarding how much credit it will grant and for what exams. Students interested in taking a CLEP test should contact the institution’s admissions office to obtain specific information about their policy.
For more information about CLEP exams go to: http://www.collegeboard.com/student/testing/clep/about.html