## NORTHLAND COMMUNITY AND TECHNICAL COLLEGE

## 3280 FRESH START

Currently enrolled students who have not attended any college or university for a period of three (3) calendar years or more may request that selected prior Northland Community and Technical College coursework with grades of "D", "W", "FW", "FN", "F", "Z", "GH", "NC", and "I" be excluded from their cumulative GPA and cumulative percent completed calculations. Such courses and their actual grades appear on the student's academic record, but these letter grades are not calculated for GPA nor percent completed purposes. Excluded courses cannot be used to satisfy any academic requirement. A student may use this option only once by submitting the Fresh Start Request form to the registrar's office.

Students who have requested a Fresh Start must demonstrate renewed academic motivation by passing the first twelve (12) consecutive credits they register for with a minimum GPA of 2.0 and 100 percent completion prior to academic forgiveness being granted.

Credits for which students have been granted a Fresh Start will be recorded and retained in the Student Data System in such a way that they will be included in both the qualitative and/or quantitative measurements of financial aid satisfactory academic progress even though they no longer are considered part of the GPA nor percent completed shown on the student's transcript.

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