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Sent: Monday, November 3, 2025 5:07 PM
To: Taylor, Bobbie J <bobbie.taylor@northlandcollege.edu>
Subject: RE: Follow-Up on Financial Barrier Documentation for HLC Accreditation

Hi Bobbie,

Going through flagged emails and realized I didn't reach back out regarding this.

I spoke with the rest of the business office team and looked through the N drive but we don't really have supporting documentation. In my conversation with them we did talk about the reason why it was brought forward as something we should do. Below are some hurdles that Yvette said the kits have helped students get over.

- Eliminated frustration when students couldn't participate in labs because they did not have the tools
- Helped reduce faculty frustration when students did not have tools because they had not received their financial aid disbursement
- Eliminated the need for students to shop and reduced the choices

Thanks,

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Hi Bobbie,

I will work with the Business Office to find out if we have any helpful documentation on this.

As far as I'm aware we have always offered supply kits for some programs in health and criminal justice but, we expanded our kit offering to the trades starting the fiscal year that I started with Northland. I started in August and this expanded offering was already in place by then so I do not have any documentation that supported the implementation. At that time it would have been an initiative started by Dr. Kiddoo.

Thanks,

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From: Taylor, Bobbie J <bobbie.taylor@northlandcollege.edu>
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Importance: High

Dear Kalen:

I'm following up on our October 10 HLC meeting, where you referenced efforts Northland has made to reduce financial barriers for students, specifically regarding the purchase of tools required for trades programs.

As I continue working on our accreditation materials, I'd like to include this as part of our argument. If available, could you please share any documentation, policies, or initiatives that outline how these financial barriers have been addressed?

Your insight and support are greatly appreciated, and this information will be a valuable addition to our HLC submission.

Best regards,

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