

## **Northland Pioneer College**

### **Goals for Criterion – Higher Learning Commission Accreditation Process**

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**Compiled by Criterion 5 Group**

**Criterion 1's job is to prove or disprove that everyone at NPC works together to fulfill our mission by collecting evidence that:**

- NPC tells everyone that we create, support and promote lifelong learning.
- We all understand that we live in and serve diverse communities.
- We all understand our mission and use it as a guide for the future.
- NPC's leaders support working together for our mission.
- Integrity is central in all we do.

**Criterion 2's job is to gather evidence that proves or disproves, NPC: uses its people and money to fulfill its mission and plan for the future.**

- We plan so we can provide what future students will need
- We use our people and money to accomplish our mission and plans.
- We grade our work to make it better and more efficient
- We make plans that match our mission. This makes it easier to fulfill our mission.

**Criterion 3's job is to gather evidence that proves or disproves, NPC students and teachers have everything they need to support learning.**

- NPC has clear goals for learning that can be successfully evaluated.
- The teachers at NPC get the encouragement and materials they need to teach successfully.
- NPC puts together resources -- including people, tools, facilities -- that support learning.
- NPC distributes its money and other resources so that students have the best chance of learning.

**Criterion 4's job is to gather evidence that proves or disproves that NPC promotes lifelong learning for all of its constituents in ways consistent with its mission.**

- NPC has shown through its actions that it values a life of learning
- NPC demonstrates that it integrates broad subject matter and critical ;thinking skills into its educational programs
- NPC evaluates the relevance of ;its programs to students who will work and live in a diverse and ever-changing society
- NPC ensures that teaching, learning, and applied practice meet ethical and responsible standards.

**Criterion 5's job is to gather evidence that proves or disproves NPC knows who we serve and how we serve them.**

- NPC learns from who we serve and then meets their needs.
- NPC will listen to and help those we serve.
- NPC shows it delivers on its promises.
- What we do is valued by NPC and those we serve.