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Campus & Community Resource Guide

Student Success Center

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Academic

Library Resources

- [WDTC Library](#): Western Dakota Technical College's library's mission is to provide materials, informational resources, and services to support higher learning programs and help students utilize research methods to meet their educational, professional, and personal needs. Go to My.WDT's Library page for access to databases.)

Nursing Resources

- [American Nurse Today](#): This is a periodical that is purchased by the WDTC Library and available in physical and digital copies.
- [PubMed](#): This is from the National Library of Medicine and includes millions of citations for biomedical literature.

Office 365 Resources

- [Office 365 Tutorials](#): These tutorials from Microsoft office can help prepare you for the Microsoft Computer Applications Course Challenges or as a basic refresher using the Microsoft Suite.

Writing Resources

- [APA Style Center](#): The APA Style Center is an excellent resource for citations in APA Style.
 - [MLA Style Center](#): The MLA Style Center can help with MLA citation questions.
 - [Purdue Owl](#): The Purdue Online Writing Lab (OWL) is an excellent citation resource with sample papers and example citations for MLA and APA.
 - [Zotero](#): An excellent resource to manage citations and resources for larger projects. Can link to the cloud for free for a small amount of storage. Will hold PDFs and links as well as citations. Caution: citations will need to be edited for accuracy.
- [Rapid City Public Library](#): The Library is more than just books. They have computers and Wi-Fi. The Public Library can proctor tests.

Referral: None

Cost: Varies depending on residency. Call 605-394-6139 for details.

Location: 610 Quincy St, Rapid City, SD, 57701

Student Lingo

StudentLingo: Short workshops for students and faculty to use to help overcome some common barriers to success in higher education including reducing test anxiety, avoiding plagiarism, and time management to name a few.

Testing Resources

- Accuplacer: The College Board offers many resources to students testing and preparing to for the placement exams used by WDTC.
- Khan Academy: Khan Academy requires a sign-up with an email, but then offers video tutorials about several subjects. An excellent resource for classes and preparing for the Accuplacer.
- Learning Express Library: Learning Express Library offers excellent test prep and career prep resources. These resources are excellent study tools working to prepare for the Accuplacer, TEAS, or program certifications. This resource is available thanks to the South Dakota State Library and South Dakota Institute of Museum and Library Services.
- Union Test Prep: Union Test Prep offers a variety of Accuplacer testing resources for students to use. The study materials include practice tests and flashcards.

Tutors

Peer Tutors: Peer tutoring is available for Western Dakota Technical College (WDTC) students for General Education subjects. Additional subjects may be provided upon request. Peer tutors are current students at WDTC who have received at least a 3.0 GPA in all tutoring subjects. They can tutor up to groups of 3 on the same subject. Tutoring at WDTC provides a supplement to classroom instruction, fosters independent learning, and assists students in improving their academic skills.

Food

- WDTC Food Pantry: Grab and go pantry (including hygiene products) in Lewis and Clark - open to all students during building hours. Please list the number being served in household when picking up food items so we can report for additional food pick-up. Names can remain anonymous.

Referral: None

Cost: Free

Location: WDTC Campus; Lewis and Clark first floor hallway across from Auto Tech Lab and Facility Services

- Seasonal Food Donations: Student Success Center hosts various food drives throughout the academic year. Keep an eye out on your WDTC e-mail and on posters throughout the building for updates.

Referral: Contact your Student Success Coach to sign-up

Cost: Free

Location: WDTC Student Success Center

- Feeding South Dakota: Feeding South Dakota provides a mobile food pantry on dates posted on the bulletin boards throughout WDTC. Our partner location is Rapid Valley Methodist Church.

Referral: Must qualify for services based on family income

Cost: Free

Location: Black Hills Area; 1111 N. Creek Dr. Rapid City, SD 57703

- Department of Social Services – SNAP: The Supplemental Assistance Program helps low-income South Dakotans buy the food needed while working on regaining financial independence. For eligibility requirements, visit the website.

Referral: Available through the [DSS online application](#)

Cost: Sliding scale based on family income

Location: 510 N. Cambell St. Rapid City, SD 57701

Housing

- [One Heart Campus](#): Transitional Housing and co-locating services for individuals without homes to move into permanent housing and a better quality of life.

Referral: Available through your Student Success Coach

Cost: Free

Location: Black Hills Area

- [Roommate Facebook Group](#): Connect with other WDTC students looking for housing in the area. Like the page on Facebook for access: Western Dakota Tech Housing, Rooms, Apartments, Sublets, Roommates

Referral: Approval for Students only

Cost: Free

Location: All WDTC Locations

- [Student Housing Resource Guide](#): List of all subsidized and unsubsidized housing partnerships that WDTC has in the Rapid City area.

Referral: Access is available by e-mailing studentsuccesscenter@wdt.edu

Cost: Free

Location: Rapid City Area

- [SD Housing Search](#): A free internet housing locator listing, which provides information on everything from apartments to single-family units, including Section 8 and accessible properties. The service is free and provides the option to view properties by location, so you can choose by neighborhood and proximity to schools, churches, and public transportation.
- [South Dakota Housing Development Authority](#): Provides multi and single-family development including down payment assistance, home buyer education, home improvement loans for low-income homeowners, and more.
- [South Dakota Housing for Homeless Consortium Coordinated Entry System](#): Serves as a mechanism to bring persons who are homeless or at imminent risk of homelessness into the service system, so that they may use all services available to become adequately housed and provided with needed assistance when possible.

Referral: Call for information (800-664-1349)

Cost: Must be an individual or family experiencing or at risk of being homeless

Location: 111 New York St. Rapid City, SD 57701 (Volunteers of America)

Mental Health

- **9-8-8** Suicide and Crisis Lifeline: National Suicide Prevention Lifeline where people can call, text, or chat with trained counselors who will listen and understand problems that are affecting them providing support and connecting them to resources.
- **Lutheran Social Services**: Provides free counseling services (3-8 sessions) to any student that is the victim of abuse, bullying, or sexual assault.

Referral: Call 605-791-6700

Cost: Free

Location: 2920 Sheridan Lake Rd. Rapid City, SD, 57702

- **SDSU Counseling Interns**: Free counseling sessions via Zoom available to all WDTC students through student counseling interns enrolled in the SDSU Counseling program with practicum students.

Referral: Schedule directly by contacting sdsu.counselingclinicrc@sdstate.edu

Cost: Free

Location: Appointments are set up through telehealth or at the BHSU-Rapid City location

- **West River Mental Health**: Students have access to three free counseling sessions with a Student Success Coach referral.

Referral: Available through your Student Success Coach

Cost: Free for first three sessions

Locations: Rapid City Area or via telehealth as available through appointment set-up with the company. (350 Elk St. Rapid City, SD 57701)

- **Youth and Family Services**: Geared toward young people and their families to provide support to individuals suffering from mental health issues, alcohol and drug abuse, domestic violence, and relationships. Specific referrals are made for students interested in participating in the YFS Stronger Families Program (free childcare and meals are provided).

Referral: Students can sign-up for classes directly through YFS or contact their Student Success Coach for more information.

Cost: Free

Location: 120 E. Adams St. Rapid City, SD 57701

Parenting/Childcare

- [Uplifting Parent's Program](#): WDTC Partners with Catholic Social Services on a single-parent mentorship program in which students receive a monthly stipend, are mentored through graduation, and receive support throughout their educational journey.

Referral: Available through your Student Success Coach

Cost: Free

Location: Black Hills Area

- [Title IX Pregnancy Accommodations](#): If you are currently expecting, contact the WDTC Title IX Coordinator (Kelly.Oehlerking@wdt.edu) to begin the process of setting up accommodations.

Referral: None

Cost: Free

Location: Student Success Center

- [Bright Start](#): Bright Start provides pre- and post-natal services for first-time expecting mothers through support services. A registered nurse provides one-to-one support, advice, and information regarding health to you and your baby from the first two trimesters of pregnancy through the child's 2nd birthday.

Referral: Your Student Success Coach can assist with connecting you

Cost: Free for students meeting income requirements

Location(s): Rapid City, Pine Ridge, Spearfish, Belle Fourche, Huron, Sisseton, Aberdeen, Sioux Falls

- [Care.com](#): Online resource that allows you to search for childcare by zip code tailored to your specific family needs. A profile will be required to be created to search for providers.

Referral: None

Cost: Varies based on service

Location: Based on Zip Code provided

Transportation

- WDTC Auto Tech Repairs: Did you know that our Auto Tech students and instructors provide services for our students in need? If you find something is wrong with your vehicle, speak with your Coach and they may be able to connect you to services here on campus. Students are responsible for all parts costs.

Referral: Available through your Student Success Coach

Cost: Free Labor; Student is responsible for parts costs

Location: WDTC Campus

- Rapid Transit System – RapidRide: Operating on 6 different fixed routes, RapidRide provides timely service to many convenient locations throughout Rapid City. All RapidRide routes run on 35-minute frequencies. Closest bus stop to WDTC is at the corner of Cambell St. and Hwy. 44 and requires a 1 mile walk to campus (Jefferson Loop)

Referral: None

Cost: \$1.50 cash only exact fair; \$30 monthly pass

Location: Rapid City System Routes

- Rapid City Transit System – Dial-A-Ride: Dial-A-Ride is a curb-to-curb/door-to-door transportation service in Rapid City operated by the Rapid Transit System. Dial-A-Ride operates within the city limits of Rapid City, including the airport.

Referral: Based on disability status

Cost: \$3.00 cash only exact fair; \$90 monthly pass

Location: Within Rapid City limits

- Shift Garage: Shift Garage offers an option for low-income repairs for vehicles. If you're interested, complete the online application and they will be in touch.

Referral: Applications are submitted through the Shift Garage website.

Cost: Free Labor; Student is responsible for parts costs

Location: Rapid City Area

- Lyft – Rapid City: The Lyft app matches you with local drivers in just a few taps. Request, ride, then simply pay in the app.

Referral: None

Cost: Varies (Approximately \$1.00 per minute)

Location: Rapid City Area

Wellness

Alcohol and Other Drugs

- [Addiction Recovery Centers of the Black Hills](#) - Provides adults with behavioral health services focusing on addiction and co-occurring disorders. Services include needs assessments (regarding mental health, substance abuse, and gambling); Intensive Outpatient Treatment; After Care; MRT (Moral Reconciliation Therapy); CBISA (Cognitive Behavioral Intervention Substance Abuse); individual and group counseling; and 12-hour DUI classes.

Referral: Call: 605-716-7841; Or One group is held on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday at 5-8pm, another group is held on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday between 5-8pm, and the last group is Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday between 1-4pm. These groups are in the Rapid City Addiction Recovery office location. (call before attending to verify currency of days and time)

Cost: Free app download; 1:1 coaching covered by most insurance

Location: 937 East North St, Suite 401, Rapid City, SD 57701

- [Oaye Luta Okolakiciye](#) - Oaye Luta Okolakiciye (Moving Forward in a Sacred Way) is a cultural community-based approach to substance and alcohol abuse addiction and behavior health management program.

Referral: Directly through the organization [website](#)

Cost: Free app download; 1:1 coaching covered by most insurance

Location: 937 East North St, Suite 401, Rapid City, SD 57701

- [Recovery Communities of South Dakota](#) - Provides monthly collaborative meetings identifying resources and needs within the recovery communities. Provides information and education regarding root causes, particularly unresolved trauma and grief and provides technical assistance and technical training to tribal, local, county, state, regional entities, and community profit and non-profit organizations and agencies.

Referral: Meeting Calendar Available [here](#)

Cost: See website for additional information

Location: [Online](#)

- [ROADS Outpatient Treatment Program](#) - Outpatient counseling for chemical dependency in adults 18 years and older including intensive outpatient treatment, continued care, Moral Recognition Therapy (MRT), and assessments.

Referral: Call for information: 605-348-8026

Cost: Insurance may be applied as well as payment based on sliding scale

Location: 103 E Omaha St. Rapid City, SD 57701

Medical

- [Black Hills Pregnancy Center](#): Provides free pregnancy tests, ultrasounds and confirmation of pregnancy, parenting classes, infant clothing, and diapers in Earn While You Learn Program, and post-abortion support.

Referral: None

Cost: Free

Location: 1774 Center St. Suite 1 Rapid City, SD 57701

- [Bella Pregnancy Center](#): Provides confidential and no-cost early pregnancy testing, peer counseling, emotional support, referrals to community resources, and information on pregnancy options.

Referral: None

Cost: Free

Location: 119 E. Grant St. Suite 2 Spearfish, SD 57783

- [Complete Health](#): Through a staff of Medical Doctors, Physician Assistants, Certified Nurse Practitioners, Dentists and support staff, Complete Health gives unconditional primary care. Our staff performs most routine medical services and practices several specialized fields. If Complete Health cannot perform a service, we help arrange for the service elsewhere.

Referral: None

Cost: Sliding scale based on income

Location: 350 Pine St.; Rapid City, SD 57701

- [Oyate Health Center](#) – Oyate Health Center provides a range of health and wellness services to American Indians and Alaska Natives. Anyone eligible as a patient with Indian Health Services may receive care at OHC.

Referral: Directly through OHC

Cost: Varies

Location: 3200 Canyon Lake Dr. Suite 1; Rapid City, SD 57701

- [Department of Health – Rapid City](#) – Information on WIC (Women, Infants, and Children's Program), Immunizations, Family Planning, and Pregnancy Support Services.

Referral: Varies; must meet income guidelines for some programs

Cost: Varies

Location: 221 Mall Drive, Rapid City, SD 57701

- [South Dakota American Cancer Society](#) – If you’re looking for cancer information and resources in South Dakota including lodging, transportation, advocacy, and other cancer information. From our local fundraising events to our cancer support programs, you’ll find everything you need to fuel the fight against cancer and get patient support – right here in our community.

Referral: Contact 1-800-227-2345

Cost: Varies

Location: linked website

WDTC

- [CampusWell](#): Free Online Wellness magazine offering articles on body, food, mind, academics, self, relationships, money, sexual culture, and more!

Referral: Directly available through website access; Questions can be referred to studentsuccesscenter@wdt.edu.

Cost: Free

Location: Online Magazine

- [Sexual Assault, Dating and Domestic Violence, and Stalking](#) – contact WDTC’s Title IX Coordinator (Kelly.Oehlerking@wdt.edu) for assistance and resources.

Referral: None

Cost: Free

Location: Student Success Center

Western Dakota Tech Student Success - Other Resources

Financial Support

- Student Emergency Fund: If you find yourself in an emergency financial situation due to unforeseen circumstances, we may have funding available through the WDTTC Foundation.

Referral: Available through your Student Success Coach

Cost: Free

Location: Student Success Center

- One Step Closer Fund: Provides students with assistance in obtaining the certifications, insurance, licensing, exams, background checks, drug screenings, and vaccines required for their degree thus helping students get one step closer to graduation and employment.

Referral: Available through your Student Success Coach

Cost: Free

Location: Student Success Center

Career Services

- Handshake: Comprehensive Career Services platform that allows students to interact directly with employers, search for jobs, get resumes reviewed, and offers sample resume and cover letter documents.

Referral: Access through Library Tab in MyWDT; Additional resources available by e-mailing career.services@wdt.edu.

Cost: Free

Location: Appointments with Career Services can be made through Handshake to be held in person or via Microsoft Teams

- WDTTC Career Services – visit the Career Services support personnel for help with writing your resume and cover letter, practicing your interview skills, and locating job openings

Referral: None

Cost: Free

Location: Corporate Education Office