

The Neurodiversity Navigators (NdN) Program provides advocacy for all neurodivergent students at Bellevue College. In addition, we provide student education with a strengths-based focus in Executive Functioning, Social Interaction, Self-Advocacy, and Self-Regulation, and more, through career preparation classes with other program students. Parents and guardians learn methods of communicating with their students that lead to increased self-efficacy. They also receive quarterly updates on student progress and are notified if serious difficulties arise, with student permission. *Program entry is Summer Quarter only.* 

To participate in this program, students must:

- 1. Be a matriculated Bellevue College student, assessed via the current Testing Center methods at English level 072 or above (no high school transcripts),
- 2. Identify as autistic and meet with a program administrator to ensure that the student understands the program,
- 3. Be taking a minimum of 7 credits at BC during the quarter or quarters they are in the program (not taking program courses only),
- 4. Participate in assigned weekly meetings with a Navigation Assistant,
- 5. Participate in a weekly NdN class (7 course series) each quarter they are in the program,
- 6. Sign & follow "Student Agreement" (available at Information Meetings and Orientation)

For their student to participate "with parental involvement" in the program, at least one parent / guardian must:

- 1. Attend each quarterly parent meeting date posted online at beginning of each quarter, (Note: Parents who live out-of-state may attend via webinar.)
- 2. Communicate with or meet with Program Director and Program Manager if requested.
- 3. Sign & follow "Parent Agreement" (available at Information Meetings and Orientation)

Because consistency with all program components is an important part of student success, if a student misses more than one meeting (without a doctor's note) they will be placed on suspension from the program and will need to meet with the program administrators before they can continue receiving program services. We make every effort to support students in remembering when they have appointments and meetings, and understand that some students may need more support in this area. If parents do not attend parent meetings, students will continue in the program as a "student with no parental involvement."

Questions and concerns should be directed to us at asn@bellevuecollege.edu or 425.564.2764.