Northwest Iowa Community College’s Mission Statement
Northwest Iowa Community College is a progressive learning college rapidly responding to the changing needs of our global community.

Northwest Iowa Community College Foundation’s Mission Statement
The mission of the Northwest Iowa Community College Foundation is to attract and manage financial resources, enhance awareness of the College, and to support access to lifelong learning opportunities.

For more information on the George & Cleo Klein Fund or NCC scholarships, contact Morgan Granstra 712-631-5643 or 800-352-4907 ext. 230 or mgranstra@nwicc.edu
Northwest Iowa Community College’s Adult Education and Literacy (AEL) program offers High School Equivalency Diploma (HSED) preparation and classes. Students attend an orientation, enroll in and attend HSED preparation classes and work their way to taking and passing the HiSET battery of five tests. HiSET is the brand of test Iowa uses for the High School Equivalency Diploma (HSED). The HiSET tests is equivalent to the GED test formerly used as the brand of HSED test. To learn more about NCC’s High School Equivalency Diploma, please contact Amy Otto, HSED Specialist, by phone 712-631-5657 or text 712-344-2178 or email adultliteracy@nwicc.edu

Payment for the HiSET test
The HiSET test currently costs $53.75 to complete. We do not want to let funding prohibit any person from achieving his or her goal. If payment of the HiSET is a barrier to your ability to take the test, please consider applying for the George and Cleo Klein Fund.

George & Cleo Klein Fund
The George & Cleo Klein Fund was developed by George and his wife Cleo after George successfully completed his GED at the age of 74. The Kleins would like to assist others in their High School Equivalency Diploma (HSED) pursuits. To be considered for the George & Cleo Klein Fund, applicants must be financially restricted to access the HiSET test series and they must articulate their need in a one paragraph essay. Assistance for the essay can be obtained through the NCC Learning Center. If the candidate is chosen as a recipient, all their testing fees will be covered. The Klein’s hope that the recipients of this fund will consider “paying it forward” after they achieve their diploma, and encourage all recipients to do other good deeds upon graduating.

Northwest Iowa Community College encourages students to continue learning after completing their HSED. If you have aspirations to continue your education in the form of a diploma or an Associates degree, state and federal financial aid assistance is available for students at NCC. Eligibility for these programs is contingent on a FAFSA (Free Application For Federal Student Aid) being submitted and verifying financial need. Furthermore, NCC offers a multitude of scholarships for students, including the Cleo Klein Memorial Scholarship specifically for students who have completed the HSED.

To see a list of available scholarships, please visit https://nwicc.edu/tuition-financial-aid/ncc-scholarships/ or bit.ly/ncc-scholarships.