

## 2025-2026 Minnesota North - Vermilion (Ely, MN) Campus

### STUDENT-ATHLETE TO DO LIST

Welcome to the Vermilion Campus! We look forward to meeting you and helping you achieve your academic, athletic and career goals. You can schedule a campus visit at [Minnesota North College](#). If you would like to attend a New Student Registration Day in person, sign-up for [June 23](#) or [July 21](#); otherwise, see #4 below.

**Complete these To Do items before you arrive:**

#### 1. Apply to Minnesota North College – Vermilion Campus

- ☐ Complete online application at [www.minnesotanorth.edu](http://www.minnesotanorth.edu).
- ☐ On the application you will see Minnesota North College, we are the Vermilion Campus.
- ☐ Pay **\$20** Application Fee.
- ☐ Provide your [immunization record](#) before you arrive to campus.
- ☐ Request your FINAL, OFFICIAL high school transcript be sent to Minnesota North College.
- ☐ Request OFFICIAL college transcripts, if applicable to you, be sent to Minnesota North College.

We cannot accept unofficial transcripts, so have above requested transcripts sent directly to:  
Minnesota North College Admissions Office – 1515 E 25<sup>th</sup> St – Hibbing, MN 55746  
or electronically to [admissions@minnesotanorth.edu](mailto:admissions@minnesotanorth.edu)

#### 2. Submit On-Campus Housing Contract – Must complete enrollment and pay deposit to receive a contract - DUE ASAP - (Preference goes to those completed by June 15<sup>th</sup>.)

- ☐ Fill out the 2025-2026 Vermilion Campus housing contract with a \$250 room deposit. This contract is located in your [student e-services account](#) under housing and dining. A contract without a \$250 deposit will not be considered complete. Pay your housing deposit in your student e-services account under Bills and Payments. Cancellations after June 1<sup>st</sup> will result in loss of the \$250 deposit.
- ☐ See #7 for costs/payment for football camp fees.
- ☐ Learn more: <https://minnesotanorth.edu/campuses/vermilion/housing-and-residential-life/>

#### 3. Complete Financial Aid Application – Start anytime / complete before arriving to camp!\*

- ☐ Complete your FAFSA at [www.studentaid.gov](http://www.studentaid.gov) using school code: **002355 (Minnesota North College)** – **Will say Hibbing MN address**. It takes 2-3 business days for Vermilion staff to see your FAFSA information.
- ☐ Complete Master Promissory Note (MPN) and Entrance Counseling at [www.studentaid.gov](http://www.studentaid.gov) using the same username and password used to complete the FAFSA.
- ☐ Keep your username and password in a safe, accessible place. You will need it in the future and when you arrive on campus.

#### 4. Registration for New Students

- ☐ Once you have completed your admissions steps & enrollment requirements, begin your registration process for fall classes. We conduct phone or virtual appointments if you are not able to make it to campus. During this appointment, you'll meet with an academic advisor and discuss your academic goals, course placement (GPA and/or prior college credits), and get registered for fall classes.
- ☐ Be sure to register for the mandatory zero credit Varsity Football course. (You have a choice to also take Competitive Football for credit.) Your advisor can explain both of these course options.

#### \* Please note:

You will not play in your first game until you meet your financial obligation for the fall (FAFSA completed with award offerings, completed MPN and Entrance Counseling on file, & payment in full or payment plan in place).

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(Continued. – Complete before arrival to camp.)

5. **Schedule your annual health physical using Vermilion's NJCAA approved Examination form.**
  - ☐ Schedule and complete a physical exam with your local clinic. Physician must complete and sign the examination form. The [Physical Examination Form](#) is available on the college website.
  - ☐ Mail the medical form to Minnesota North College, "Attention Athletic Director Bender" 1900 E Camp St, Ely MN 55731.
  - ☐ or Email completed form to [admissions@minnesotanorth.edu](mailto:admissions@minnesotanorth.edu).
6. **Secure Health Insurance - Mandatory to play football**
  - ☐ Mail a copy of your insurance card to Minnesota North College, "Attention Athletic Director Bender" 1900 E Camp St, Ely MN 55731.
  - ☐ or Email to [admissions@minneostanorth.edu](mailto:admissions@minneostanorth.edu)
  - ☐ Bring your insurance card with you to camp.
7. **Reserve ON-Campus housing and meal plan for the two weeks of football camp**
  - ☐ Submit the campus housing contract for the academic year (see #2) and pay \$250 deposit now.
  - ☐ Early arrival housing fee of \$100 will be placed on fall charges. Move-in is Sunday, August 10<sup>th</sup> between 10AM-4PM or Monday, between 9AM-4PM. Check-in before 4PM on either day.
  - ☐ The fee for football camp meals is \$200. These fees will also be placed on fall charges.
8. **Order Varsity Pack – Check with Coach Cook and Athletic Director Bender for more information**
9. **Make Travel arrangements to Minnesota North College – Vermilion Campus by August 11<sup>th</sup>, 2025 (1900 E Camp St. Ely, MN) - For students arriving by bus or plane, please see last page.**
  - ☐ Plan to arrive in Ely on Sunday, August 10<sup>th</sup>, or Monday, August 11<sup>th</sup>, no later than 4:00PM to check into housing. See #7 for check-in times.
10. **Important Dates for Camp and Academic Year / Important Meeting Dates and Times**
  - **Housing Check In:** Residence Life office in Vermilion Hall
    - **Sunday, August 10<sup>th</sup> 10am to 4pm and Monday, August 11<sup>th</sup> 9am to 4pm**
  - **Mandatory Football Meeting (for those who arrived):** Sunday, August 10, 6:00pm: CL104
  - **All Football Housing Meeting:** Monday, August 11, 4:00pm: Fireside Lounge
  - **Mandatory Football Report Time Meeting: Monday, August 11, 2025, at 6 PM: CL104**
  - **Mandatory Football Meeting:** Tuesday, August 12 at 8:00am: CL104
  - **All Football Academic Meeting:** Tuesday, August 12 at 1:00pm: CL 104
  - **College Preparation Tasks and Meetings:** Tuesday, August 12<sup>th</sup> – Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> (times/locations TBD)
  - **First Day of Classes/New Student Orientation:** Monday, August 25<sup>th</sup> 8:30am: Theater
  - **Last Day of Fall Semester: December 19, 2025**
    - **Do not make travel arrangements for the break until you know your final exam schedule.**
  - **STUDENT HOUSING CLOSED**
    - Winter Break begins at Noon on December 20, 2025 – January 10, 2026
    - Spring Break March 9-13, 2026 (Additional fee to stay on campus. No food services.)
  - **Vermilion Campus Graduation Ceremony:** May 13, 2026, Vermilion Gym, 7pm
  - **Last Day of Spring Semester: May 14, 2026**
    - **Do not make travel arrangements for the break until you know your final exam schedule.**

## Financial Aid and Paying for College

Paying for college can feel overwhelming. We are here to help make the process as smooth as possible. Please keep these things in mind as you make plans to pay for your college experience.

- Minnesota North College does NOT offer athletic scholarships (NJCAA DIII Non-Scholarship).
- Financial Aid eligibility is determined after you file your FAFSA (Complete your FAFSA early).
- Be prepared to use savings, private or Parent Plus loans or other resources to help pay your balance due.
- Check your [eServices account](#) to:
- Access your **Financial Aid Offer notification** to determine what aid you are eligible for
- Confirm your balance prior to setting up a payment plan or making a payment.
- Learn more and take advantage of the Nelnet Payment plan to spread your payments out.

### Financial Aid Office Contacts (questions about grants, loans, scholarships, FAFSA)

Ray Podominick      [raymond.podominick@minnesotanorth.edu](mailto:raymond.podominick@minnesotanorth.edu) 218.235.2153

### Business Office Contact (questions about your bill, payment, setting up a payment plan)

Carly Wogen      [admissions@minnesotanorth.edu](mailto:admissions@minnesotanorth.edu) 218.235.2112

### Become work-study job ready by beginning the [Work-Study Steps](#) before you arrive.

Work-study is a great way to earn a little extra money working on campus. Job hours are scheduled when you are not in class or on the field. The 2025-2026 Job Board is posted on the [financial aid work-study webpage](#) before the start of fall semester; be sure to find Vermilion Campus work-study opportunities.

Employment requires identity documents. \*Examples of identity documents required to complete a Federal I-9 Form are typically a driver's license, government-issued photo ID or current school ID card and social security card or birth certificate. Other proofs of identity options, like a passport, can be found on the [I-9 Form](#).

### Important Websites

- College website: [www.minnesotanorth.edu](http://www.minnesotanorth.edu)
- Financial Aid webpage: <https://minnesotanorth.edu/admissions-aid/financial-aid/>
- Master Promissory Note (MPN) and Entrance Counseling: <https://studentaid.gov/>
- eServices: <https://www.minnesotanorth.edu/current-students/> then select eServices.
  - You will need your MinnState Star ID and password to log in.
- Payment and Cost: <https://minnesotanorth.edu/student-services/businessoffice/>
- Housing Information <https://minnesotanorth.edu/campuses/vermilion/housing-and-residential-life/>
- College Store/Textbook Ordering: <https://www.minnesotanorth.edu/student-services/college-stores/>

### Recap of Fees

- Housing Deposit – due asap and must be paid prior to being assigned to a room - \$250
- Early On-Campus Housing Move-In – fee placed on fall charges - \$100
- Football Camp Meals – fee placed on fall charges - 22 meals for \$200
- PHED 1940 - 02 Varsity Mens Football (ID 000056) - fall course fee approximately \$250

## Transportation to/from Ely, MN

### Be sure to share your travel plans with Coach Cook

Student athletes are responsible for their transportation to/from Ely. If you do not have a car, transportation to/from Ely can take additional work and planning. Public transportation options are limited and often expensive. Please plan and arrange your travel needs accordingly to arrive on time to camp.

Ely is located about 4 hours north of Minneapolis, 2 hours west of Duluth, and 1 hour from Virginia, MN.

**Ely Chamber of Commerce**

[www.ely.org/discover/directions](http://www.ely.org/discover/directions)

- **Arrive at Duluth, Hibbing or Minneapolis Airports**

- *Arrange ground transportation to Ely*

- **Arrive at Bus Stop in Virginia**

- *Arrange ground transportation to Ely*

**Jefferson Lines** [www.jeffersonlines.com](http://www.jeffersonlines.com)

- **Passenger Bus to Virginia, MN**

- **Drop-off Location:** Village Inn Restaurant, 1500 13<sup>th</sup> St. South Virginia MN 55792
  - *Another ride is needed from Virginia to Ely*

- **Ground Transportation between Minneapolis, MN and Duluth, MN**

- *Another ride would be needed from Duluth to Ely*

**Jefferson Lines**

[www.jeffersonlines.com](http://www.jeffersonlines.com)

858-800-8898

**Groome Transportation**

[www.groometransportation.com](http://www.groometransportation.com)

218-724-4676

[https://groometransportation.com/minneapolis-st-paul-airport/duluth/reservations/?&sd\\_client\\_id=6cec2d4c-b90d-426c-bd97-d7cdb3cda4a9](https://groometransportation.com/minneapolis-st-paul-airport/duluth/reservations/?&sd_client_id=6cec2d4c-b90d-426c-bd97-d7cdb3cda4a9)

**Landline Shuttle Service**

<https://landline.com/landline/>

888-428-1149

- **Public Bus Connections to/from Virginia, MN; Duluth, MN; and Hibbing, MN**

**Arrowhead Transit** [www.arrowheadtransit.com](http://www.arrowheadtransit.com)

800-862-0175