

"Am I ready?"

✓ *Is this the right time for me to begin?*

- Do I have reliable transportation?
- Do I have financial support in place?
- Do I have family support?
- Do I have reliable childcare?

✓ *Is this the right career for me?*

- Students are encouraged to explore with a Northwood Tech counselor the career of nursing fully before making the significant commitment this program and the profession demands—nursing is NOT for everyone!

✓ *How much time will I need to devote to studying?*

- Many students are unaware of the rigor and demands of the nursing program.
- For each hour of class, you should expect to study three hours outside of class
- Seriously

✓ *Should I work while in the core nursing courses?*

- Successful students work limited hours if they work at all.
- It is highly recommended that you limit your hours of outside work while in the program.
 - Do not let a job interfere with your dream to become a Registered Nurse!

✓ *Have I included my family in this decision?*

- Successful students have supportive family members who are willing to take on some of your responsibilities so that you can be successful at school.
 - These adjustments can be very difficult and family members can grow weary over time.
- Have an honest dialogue with family members to ensure that they can support you for "the long haul."

If you can honestly answer YES to these questions,
you are ready to move forward with the ADN Priority Petition Process