BRIDGE PROGRAM COMMITMENT

One of the goals of the Bridge Program at Eastern Wyoming College is for our students to be better prepared for the academic demands of their fall courseload. In addition, the comprehensive program is designed to help students make a transition from their environment to ours. Students receive personal attention throughout the Bridge Program from a team of experienced instructors in reading, math, English, study skills, and college life skills. At the end of the program, students retake the college placement exam. Materials for the program are provided and there is no charge for the program.

The Bridge Program provides an opportunity to get ahead in coursework and develop reading, math, English, and study skills. Additionally, Bridge Program Students will be better able to navigate the EWC system and resources and will become familiar with campus layout, libraries, and computer labs. Throughout the entire program, we build a support network with students, faculty, advisers, and staff. Summer Bridge students also receive ongoing academic and advising support throughout their first year at EWC. This includes required tutoring, study nights, and invitations to academic workshops.

In exchange for all the Bridge Program provides, students are asked to fully commit to the program and to their own academic success. Students are expected to commit the time, energy, and positive attitude necessary to fulfill the program requirements. All students must meet the following requirements in order to successfully complete the Bridge Program:

- **Attendance:** Students must attend <u>all</u> activities, including classes, meals, fitness activities, and evening social events arriving on time and staying for the entire session. Being late or missing one session will place a student on program probation. Doing so a second time will constitute dismissal from the program and from the residence halls for the duration of the program.
- **Preparation:** Students must come to class ready to discuss course material.
- **Participation:** Students must be attentive and participate in all classroom activities.
- **Tutoring:** Students must attend one hour of tutoring in the Learning Skills Lab each week for at least 12 of the 16 weeks during the fall semester and again in the spring semester.
- **Communication:** Students will communicate about issues, concerns, and needs to the Bridge Program Coordinator, Andrea Bryant, in a timely fashion and on a regular basis throughout the program and academic year.

Students with disabilities are reminded of another type of commitment they need to make for their academic success. Eastern Wyoming College provides a variety of services and academic accommodations to eligible students with documented disabilities. If you require accommodations you must apply for services and have your disability and eligibility determined before accommodations can be made. For more information, please see Debbie Ochsner or call her at 307.532.8238.

I, _____, commit to my own personal and academic success at Eastern Wyoming College. I accept the challenge of improving my skills and am willing to take ownership for my success. I, therefore, commit to the expectations outlined in this document.

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Signature Date