

# REAFFIRMATION OF ACCREDITATION

## What to Expect

# WHAT IS ACCREDITATION?

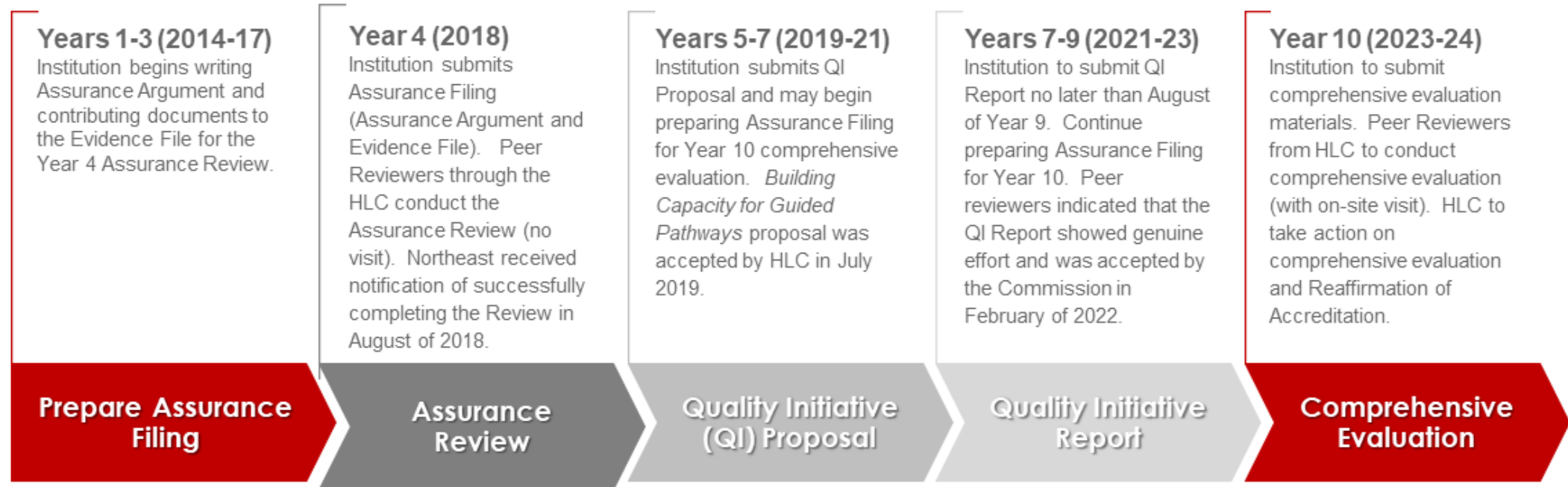
- **Higher Education Institutions seek accreditation through two types of accreditation agencies:**
  - **Institutional**
  - **Programmatic**
- **The Higher Learning Commission (HLC) is the College's institutional accreditor**
  - **Validates the quality of an institution**
  - **Evaluates multiple aspects of an institution**
    - **Academic offerings, governance and administration, mission, finances, and resources**
  - **Encompasses the entire institution including all degree levels, delivery methods, and locations**

# ACCREDITATION PROCESS

- **Evaluated against Criteria for Accreditation – standards which Northeast must meet to maintain accredited status.**
- **Peer review system**
- **Open Pathway 10-year cycle**

# Open Pathway Accreditation Cycle at Northeast

In 2014, Northeast moved to the Open Pathway Accreditation Cycle. Open Pathways is a ten-year cycle with the Higher Learning Commission (HLC).



# COMPONENTS OF THE COMPREHENSIVE EVALUATION

- **Assurance Argument**

- 35,000 words that speaks to the Criteria for Accreditation

- **Federal Compliance Filing**

**Every institution is expected to be in compliance with the Assumed Practices and Obligations of Membership at all times.**

# CRITERIA FOR ACCREDITATION

## **Mission**

- The institution's mission is clear and articulated publicly; it guides the institution's operations.

## **Integrity: Ethical and Responsible Conduct**

- The institution acts with integrity; its conduct is ethical and responsible.

## **Teaching and Learning: Quality, Resources, and Support**

- The institution provides quality education, wherever and however its offerings are delivered.

## **Teaching and Learning: Evaluation and Improvement**

- The institution demonstrates responsibility for the quality of its educational programs, learning environments, and support services, and it evaluates their effectiveness for student learning through processes designed to promote continuous improvement.

## **Institutional Effectiveness, Resources and Planning**

- The institution's resources, structures, and processes are sufficient to fulfill its mission, improve the quality of its educational offerings, and respond to future challenges and opportunities.

# WHAT TO EXPECT

Accreditation is the responsibility of everyone at Northeast.

We need you to engage in this work to ensure our continued accreditation with the Higher Learning Commission.

Participate in monthly informational sessions and complete quizzes/challenges to win a party for your area! Highest engagement throughout the year will receive a larger prize!



# DIFFERENT WAYS TO ENGAGE – PICK WHICH WORKS BEST FOR YOU EACH MONTH

- **Accreditation Bites**

- ‘Bite-sized’ lunch and learn sessions offered virtually on a different topic each month for 30 minutes or less
- Take the Kahoot quiz at the end of the session – begins in November!

- **Accreditation Bites Recording or Slides**

- Unable to make the virtual session? We have you covered! You can catch the content through the slides, or by watching the recording
- Take the Kahoot quiz!

- **Flyers will be distributed to mailboxes each month**

- Take the Kahoot quiz!



# KAHOOT QUIZ CHALLENGES

**Quiz challenges will be open all month! The area with the highest percentage engagement will win a party at the end of the month. Highest engagement throughout the year will receive a larger prize!**



# TEAMS

- **Administrative Services**
- **Applied Technology**
- **Center for Teaching and Learning + Science, Technology, Ag, and Math**
- **Development and External Affairs + Technology Services**
- **Health and Public Service + Academic Outreach + Human Resources**
- **Student Services**
- **Workforce Development + President's Office + Business and Humanities**

assessment inclusion **collaboration**  
vision **innovation** **integrated** partnerships  
engagement valued **students** teaching  
mission **excellence** **learning**  
**inclusive** resources service funding  
belonging values **success** impactful  
community **people**  
**integrity** planning coordinated **outcomes**