

POSTSECONDARY OPTIONS

HIGH SCHOOL/ INDUSTRY CERTIFICATION	CERTIFICATE/ LICENSE*	ASSOCIATE'S DEGREE	BACHELOR'S DEGREE	MASTER'S/ DOCTORAL PROFESSIONAL DEGREE		OCCUPATIONS	MEDIAN WAGE	ANNUAL OPENINGS	% GROWTH	
						Medical Assistants	\$29,598	8,862	30%	
Registered Dental Assistant	Dental Assistant	Dental Hygienist		Dentist		Surgical Technologists	\$46, 310	1,150	21%	
Certified Patient Care	Surgical Technologist			Physician Assistant		Dental Hygienists	\$73,507	1,353	38%	
Technician						Physicians and Surgeons	\$213,071	1,151	30%	
Certified Nurse Aide/Assistant	Medical Assistant	Medical/ Clinical Assistant		Family and General Practitioners		Dental Assistants	\$34,840	4,422	31%	
Pharmacy Technician	Pharmacy Aides			Pharmacist	WORK BASED LEARNING AND EXPANDED LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES					
						Exploration Activit SkillsUSA		Work Based Learning Activities:		
Additional industry based certification information is available from the TEA CTE website.					H	Health Occupation Students of America		Volunteer at a community wellness center, hospital,		
For more information on postsecondary options for this program of						(HOSA)		assisted living, or nursing home.		

study, visit TXCTE.org.

The Healthcare Therapeutic program of study introduces students to occupations and educational opportunities related to diagnosing and treating acute, episodic, or chronic illness independently or as part of a healthcare team. This program of study also includes an introduction to the opportunities associated with providing treatment and counsel to patients as well as rehabilitative programs that help build or restore daily living skills to persons with disabilities or developmental delays.



The Health Science Career Cluster® focuses on planning, managing, and providing therapeutic services, diagnostics services, health informatics, support services, and biotechnology research and development. To pursue a career in the health science industry, students should learn to reason, think critically, make decisions, solve problems, communicate effectively, and work well with others.

Successful completion of the Healthcare Therapeutic program of study will fulfill requirements of a **Public Service** endorsement or STEM endorsement if the math and science requirements are met. Revised - July 2020



Public Services Endorsement

Possible STEM - SBOE Decision



Healthcare Therapeutic Pharmacy Technician

Principles of Health Science M (9-10) #8533

This course provides an overview of the therapeutic, diagnostic, health informatics, support services, and biotechnology research and development systems of the healthcare industry. Students will identify employment opportunities, technology, and safety requirements of each system. A student who takes a full year of Principles of Health Science receives a waiver for Health. SEM: 2 CR: 1

Health Science Theory M (10-12) #8536

This course is designed to provide for the development of advanced knowledge and skills related to a wide variety of health careers. Students will employ hands-on experiences for continued knowledge and skills development. PR: Biology

SEM: 2 CR: 1

Anatomy and Physiology (10-12) #8377 Students study the structure and function of the human body and the interaction of body systems for maintaining homeostasis. Students conduct laboratory and field investigations, use scientific methods during investigations, and make informed decisions using critical thinking and scientific problem solving. Students must meet the 40% laboratory and fieldwork requirement.

SEM: 2 Science CR: 1 PR: Biology & 2nd Science

Practicum in Health Science -Pharmacy Technician M (11) #8394

A course designed to give students practical application of previously studied knowledge and skills for certification or licensure in an allied health career. Students develop ad-vanced clinical skills necessary for employment in the healthcare industry or continued education in health careers

PR: Health Science Theory & Biology

SEM: 2 CR: 2

Practicum in Health Science -Pharmacy Technician M (2nd time taken) (12) #8539

A course designed to give students practical application of previously studied knowledge and skills for certification or licensure in an allied health career. Students develop advanced clinical skills necessary for employment in the healthcare industry or continued education in health careers. NISD Volunteer Background Check may be required.

*Certification offered: Pharmacy Technician (CPhT) PR: Health Science Theory & Biology

SEM: 2 CR: 2

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