Dental Hygiene Program Criteria Fall 2019

The Dental Hygiene program has a limited number of seats. Please review the selective admissions process and program criteria outlined in this document carefully.

1. Cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.75 or higher on a 4.0 scale
   - If a student has less than 12 cumulative college credits the high school GPA will be used.
     - **High school GPA calculation:** Un-weighted GPA will be used in GPA calculation.
   - If a student has 12 or more cumulative college credits the college GPA will be used.
     - **College GPA calculation:**
       - If the student has at least 12 college credits within the last five years - a recalculated cumulative GPA will be used for the GPA calculation for all coursework within the last five years from all colleges attended.
       - If the student does not have at least 12 college credits within the last five years - a cumulative GPA will be used in the GPA calculation from all colleges attended.

*Please Note:* Any student who does not have a high school cumulative GPA or does not have 12 college credits must earn a college cumulative GPA with at least 12 college credits to be considered for the program by **January 15, 2019.**

2. Prerequisite science grades of “C” or better in laboratory biology and laboratory chemistry
   - Must be completed by **January 15, 2019**
   - The highest laboratory biology and laboratory chemistry grade will be used from high school or college. (MCC offers BIO 010 and CHM 010, if needed)
   - Science courses taken on the college level will be weighted slightly higher than science courses taken at the high school level.

3. Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS-VI) exam
   Test scores must be received by February 4, 2019. The TEAS-VI exam can be taken at any location and must be taken **once** between **September 1, 2018 and February 1, 2019.** If a student takes the exam multiple times during **September 1, 2018 and February 1, 2019,** only the score of the first exam completed will be used.
   - **MCC will offer the TEAS-VI exam on the following dates:** (Only one test date is permitted)
     - December 6, December 20, January 10, and January 31.
   - **Applicants with documented disabilities requesting special accommodations must:**
     - Contact Counseling and Career Services at 732-906-2546 to obtain an accommodation approval prior to taking the TEAS-VI exam. (Appointments only)
     - After receiving an accommodation approval, you must contact the testing department to schedule a date to take TEAS-VI exam.
   - **TEAS-VI taken at other locations:** Students must request official scores to be sent to Middlesex County College’s testing center: MKim@Middlesexcc.edu by **February 4, 2019.** Scores received after this day will not be accepted.

*Please Note:* Only students who meet the program criteria should take the TEAS-VI exam. ATI offers resources to assist you to prepare for the TEAS-VI exam. See [www.atitesting.com/ati_store/teas-products.aspx](http://www.atitesting.com/ati_store/teas-products.aspx). There is also a book available for purchase in the Bookstore.

4. **Additional application requirements (See application checklist for additional information):**
   - Submit proof of valid U.S. citizenship or permanent residency by **January 15, 2019.**
   - Submit completed Legal, Health and Practical Consideration form by **January 15, 2019.**
   - Submit all official High School, and College transcripts by **January 15, 2019.**
   - Complete all ESL and developmental courses or receive an exemption by **January 15, 2019.**

5. **Required items needed for acceptance after conditional admittance has been offered:**
   - All students will be required to submit a **$575 non-refundable deposit by May 6, 2019.** (Fee subject to change annually)
   - All students will be required to attend mandatory orientations. Students who do not attend the required orientation will be in jeopardy of losing their seat in the program.
     - **Tentative Dates:** Orientation Date – May 29, 2019 and Course Orientation Date – August 28, 2019
   - Satisfactory criminal background check and drug testing.
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Please submit all documents to Enrollment Services located in West Hall.

___ APPLICATION

Complete your application online between August 1, 2018 and the December 15, 2018 deadline. Application Fee is $25. Please choose Dental Hygiene (DHY.AAS) on the application.

___ OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS – Must be received by January 15, 2019

Please send all official transcripts to Enrollment Services located in West Hall.

  o  High School/GED
  o  All Colleges and Universities Attended
    ➢  All applicants who attended college outside the U.S. need to have their transcripts evaluated by an accredited third party evaluator such as AACRAO or WES on a course by course basis.

___ PROOF OF U.S. CITIZENSHIP OR PERMANENT RESIDENCY - Must be received by January 15, 2019

Please submit proof in person to Enrollment Services located in West Hall.

  o  Proof of Permanent Residency: Valid Permanent Resident Card.

___ LEGAL, HEALTH AND PRACTICAL CONSIDERATIONS FORM - Must be received by January 15, 2019

All students applying to the Dental Hygiene program must read, sign and return this form to Enrollment Services in West Hall as acknowledgment of practical considerations of career choice in terms of ability to succeed in the program and gain employment in the field.

___ COLLEGE TESTS - Must be completed by January 15, 2019

All students who have completed the ESL/College Placement Exam are required to contact Health Programs Admissions by emailing Healthtech@middlesexcc.edu to discuss their test results.

  o  English as a Second Language (ESL) Exam
    If English is not your best language and if you have not completed four years of high school English courses in the United States you will need to be proficient on the ESL exam before taking the College Placement Exam (Accuplacer).
  o  College Placement Exam (Accuplacer)
    All students must take the College Placement Exam unless they receive an exemption(s)*. The test is designed to provide information about your skills in the English language and in mathematics. The results will be used, along with other information, to place you in the courses appropriate to your level of preparation. In some cases this may include non-credit, developmental courses.
  o  Exemptions*
    (Please follow-up with us via Healthtech@middlesexcc.edu to ensure the exemption has been recorded.)
    •  SAT and ACT scores – please see our website for exemption scores.
    •  Approved courses taken at an accredited U.S. college or university.
    •  College Placement Test (Accuplacer) taken at another New Jersey college. Have scores sent to the Middlesex County College Testing Center.

___ TEST OF ESSENTIAL ACADEMIC SKILLS (TEAS-VI) EXAM

Must be received by February 4, 2019. Please see program criteria for important information about the TEAS-VI exam.

Questions: Please email Healthtech@middlesexcc.edu

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LEGAL, HEALTH AND PRACTICAL CONSIDERATIONS FORM – Fall 2019

All students applying to a Health Technology Program must read, sign and submit to Enrollment Services located in West Hall as acknowledgment of Practical Considerations.

Please submit this form to Enrollment Services by the January 15, 2019 deadline

First Name (Print) __________________________ Last Name (Print) __________________________ Student ID# __________________________

Select all that apply:

___ Dental Hygiene (DH) ___ Nursing (NRB) ___ Radiography (RAD)

The following Practical Considerations are listed so students may be better able to assess their career choice in terms of ability to succeed in the program and gain employment in the field:

1. Have written and oral communication skills in the English language to effectively and accurately communicate with patients, peers, supervisors, families and other healthcare members.

2. Have sufficient visual acuity:

   DH and NRB: to accurately assess patient conditions and treat patients safely.

   RAD: to make radiographic technical adjustments to equipment to produce acceptable radiographs and to assess the completed product for technical accuracy.

3. Have motor skills:

   DH: and strength capable of fine and delicate manipulations and adjustments of patient’s and equipment. The student must have a physical capability to withstand prolonged hours in a sitting position and repetitive upper body motions.

   NRB: capable of fine and delicate manipulation of patient equipment. The ability to transfer, lift and move patients without restrictions.

   RAD: and strength capable of manipulations and adjustments of patients and equipment.

4. Demonstrate acceptable affective behaviors required by health care employers such as maintaining excellent attendance and integrity and being able to work under pressure.

5. Comprehend and follow clinical policies and procedures related to the profession you choose.
Health Considerations:

Due to the nature of clinical experiences, students will be participating in a work environment that has the potential of exposure to bloodborne pathogens and infectious diseases. All accepted students are provided with specific instruction on infection control protocols, and standard precautions in order to reduce the risk of disease transmission. Students are required to get a flu vaccine.

Health Insurance:

All students admitted to the program must have health insurance. Students will find information regarding the purchase of insurance coverage through the link below:

http://www.state.nj.us/dobi/division_insurance/ihcseh/shop_ihc.htm

Legal Considerations:

A student is required to have a criminal background check performed with satisfactory results acceptable by Middlesex County College and the Program Department and/or participating clinical facilities as a condition of admission, initial enrollment and/or continued enrollment. Students are required to get a flu vaccine. An offer of admission is not final and enrollment will not be permitted until the completion of a satisfactory criminal background check. Drug testing is also a requirement for NRB and RAD students. Admission may be denied or rescinded or enrollment terminated based on the results of the criminal background check and drug testing (if applicable).

By signing I acknowledge I have read and understood this information.

_________________________  ______________________  _____________________
First Name (Please Print)  Last Name (Please Print)  Date of Birth

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Student Signature  Student ID#  Date

Mailing address:

Middlesex County College – West Hall Admissions
Attn: Desiree Brower
2600 Woodbridge Avenue, P.O. Box 3050
Edison, NJ 08818.

In office use only: ________________ (staff initials)

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